Fugitive Operations

“Internet and Intranet Resources”
Learning Objectives:

• Identify and describe the use of internet and intranet websites to aid in locating fugitives.

• Identify ICE intranet resources and the types of information available in each site.

• Identify Non-ICE internet resources and the types of information available in each site.

• Develop database and internet search skills.
• There is an abundance of public records created for each and every person, and those records are easily accessible if we know where to look.

• Our job is to find those records and trace them back to the source.

Examples: Cell phone, Drivers License, Credit Cards, Parking Tickets, Debts, Employment
Corrections/Jail Databases

- Corrections databases often assist in identifying and locating fugitives already in custody.
- Accurate telephone numbers, addresses, personal data, next of kin
- Logs and identification of family and visitors
State and Local Courts

- Recent arrests and arraignments
- Next appearance date
- Judge and courtroom information
- Decisions and Appeal information

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BIA Decisions on the Intranet

This page will enable you to search BIA Decisions by BIA Decision Date range, and/or an individual A-Number, and/or immigration judge name and/or base city.

Please enter your search criteria ...

Search by Date Range: From ____________ To ____________

Search by A-Number: A (i.e. "12345678" or "12-345-678")

Appeal Type: Please Select One

Search by IJ Name: Please choose IJ Name

Search by Base City: Please choose Base City

Clear

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Sex Offender Registries

- Must register current address and employment information
- Recent photos, and description of previous offenses and charges
- All 50 states are documented on the FBI’s Crimes Against Children Directory
- Risk assessment
• International database of fugitives and wanted persons

• Criminal warrants, extradition, international liaison (FBI cooperation)

• Drugs, terrorism, human-trafficking, and organized crime
ICE Fugitive Operations

- Top ten fugitive lists
- NFOP Directory
- Amber Alerts
- Officer safety bulletins
- HQ Directives, Policy, and Operations

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Intranet Databases

- Field Manuals for Deportation Officers (do’s & don’ts)
- Field Manuals for Adjudicators (applications/rules), Inspectors (authorization), Special Agents (criminal search & seizure), Border Patrol Agents (regulations), Asylum Officers (applications), and Juvenile and Refugee aliens (what to do if…)
- Electronic Handbooks for NLETS and NCIC, also an F2 function
- INSERTS: CFR’s, Administrative Decisions, Federal Register, ICE-specific forms, EEO Handbook, CIMT in depth coverage, BIA, case summaries, and much more

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Password/Account Maintenance for databases
Event control options
Weekly statistics and reports
Training
ICE Agency-Specific

Agency-specific databases contain the ability to identify and input: *person, place, or thing queries; intelligence; watch lists and alerts; visa applications; Significant Event Notifications and Significant Incident Reports.*

There are direct links to FPS, FDL, and the US State Department.
Satellite Imagery

Satellite Imagery provides aerial observation of a specific location and the surrounding area.

This is beneficial in determining possible escape routes, perimeter set-up, and operation/surveillance planning.

There are many excellent websites that utilize this technology:

Imapdata (requires password), Google Earth, and Local Live

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Other Internet Checks

Hospital Record Checks

City, State, and Local Police Department Records

County Property Assessment Records

Taxing Authorities

Department of Motor Vehicles

Reverse Phone/Address/Email Directories

Credit Bureaus

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The Legal Department

Appeals checks, Justice & Commitment Records, and court decisions can often be verified through court databases such as PACER.

Each state maintains extensive court records, most are slowly becoming available online.

Build a list of Local, State, and Federal Court websites that can be easily utilized, and maintain a strong working relationship with the office of the Court Clerk.

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Remember...

The internet and modern technology are a necessary advantage in apprehending fugitives and enforcing our laws.

The more we learn to utilize these systems, the more efficient and effective our efforts will be.
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Denotes Benefits GRANTED, not removable.
Denotes locates.
ICE Academy
Detention and Removal Operations
Training Division
Charleston, SC
“National Fugitive Operations Program”
Objectives: By the end of this lesson you will be able to

- Identify the mission of the National Fugitive Operations Training Program
- Define a ICE/DRO Fugitive
- Identify the ICE legal Authority and the methodology used for locating ICE Fugitives
Chapter 19 DROPPM:

- Historical Background
- General Policies
- Case Management
- Tactics
- Vehicle Pursuits
- Report Requirements
- Most Wanted Program
- Liaison/Task Forces
- Interpol/Third Agency Checks
- Training Requirements
Mission

Mission of NFOP is to identify, locate, arrest, process and remove fugitive aliens from the United States with the highest priority placed on those fugitives who have been convicted of crimes. Further, NFOP’s goal is to eliminate the backlog of fugitives and ensure that the number of aliens deported equals the number of final orders of removal issued by the immigration courts in any given year.
ICE - DRO Fugitive Alien - Any subject not in ICE/DRO custody, who:

has failed to Depart the United States pursuant to a final order of removal, deportation or exclusion. This is defined as a 5B, 8E and 8I.
4. ICE authority to conduct operations

INA

- Section 287,
- Title 8 CFR

M-69 Law of Arrest, Search and Seizure for Immigration Officers (Appendix I-2)

Title 8 US Code 1357 (a)(4)
Case Management/Priorities

All Fugitive Cases will be managed through FCMS (Fugitive Case Management System)

Priority of Fugitive Cases

1. Pose a threat to National Security
   Any arrest involving a possible terrorist nexus, you must contact HQDRO Custody Unit

2. Pose a threat to the Community

3. Have been convicted of Violent Crimes

4. Have a criminal record

5. Non-Criminals with Removal/Deportation Order
Target Goals

Effective FY07, each Field Office should seek to achieve a goal of at least 1,000 arrests per team. Non-Fugitive Aliens may now be included in that total, but only where these arrests are made as part of a DRO Headquarters approved operation, i.e. Op Predator, et al

Each Field Office must nevertheless average at least 500 Fugitive arrests per fugitive Operations Team

See Memorandum Fugitive Case Management System Reporting and Annual Goals signed Sept 29, 2006 by Director John Torres
Systematic Process: locating and arresting ICE/DRO fugitives.

Review the A-file to confirm alien is a ICE/DRO Fugitive (no court actions or benefits pending).

Perform records checks

- **ICE Systems:** CIS, DAC, CLAIMS, (b)(7)(E) Intranet, etc.
Case Preparation

Create a work-file consisting of the following:

- Field Operations Worksheet
- Final Order
- Copy of Warrant of Arrest
- Criminal history printouts
- Fugitive’s photo and prints
- Map to arrest site/Trauma Unit
- Contact numbers to local law enforcement
- Case/Surveillance notes (G166)
5. Investigative tools

Wanted Posters
Computer Networks
Inter Agency Liaisons
Networking
ICE/DHS Databases
Local Databases
Conducting Operations

National Fugitive Operations Policy offers guidelines for conducting Fugitive Operations

- Ensures that Fugitive Operations are conducted consistently throughout the Agency

Who

- All sworn Immigration Officers may participate in Fugitive Operations assisted by other Federal, State and local Officers. Arrests must involve at least [7] law enforcement officers
- Minimum of one ICE Officer/Agent must be present
Conducting Operations

When

- Fugitive Operations will be conducted during daylight hours 6am-10pm, unless otherwise approved on the Operations Order or FOW by the FOD or his designee.

Where

- Agents may enter any area that is open to the Public without a warrant.

- In order to enter areas where there is an expectation of privacy, informed consent MUST be obtained.

- Common sense must be used. Officer safety is paramount. Certain areas such as schools, churches, hospitals and funerals are generally respected as off limits.
Conducting Operations

How

- Field Operations Worksheet (FOW)

  Must be signed by FOD prior to conducting a Fugitive Operation. The FOD can designate signature authority to a FOT supervisor.

  Outlines the plan for locating and arresting a Fugitive

  Lists support entities such as local law enforcement and medical emergency support.

  Gives both immigration/Criminal History
Supervision

FOT Supervisors are encouraged to accompany teams in the field whenever possible. A designated supervisor shall be reachable at all times when a team is conducting an operation. A supervisor will respond to the team leader’s field location when requested to do so.

“Lead By Example”
Local Law Enforcement Notification

Law Enforcement Agencies with Principle Jurisdiction over an area of Operation will be notified prior to any ICE Enforcement Action

This notification helps avoid misunderstanding and can help provide emergency tactical/medical support
Emergency Response

The Operations Order or FOW will list the location and contact number to Emergency Response Entities/Hospitals within the area of operation.

Team Leaders will designate at least one officer to contact 911 in the case of any emergency.

Notifying the National Law Enforcement Communications Center (NLECC/SECTOR) of any operation/location is also a way to get quick emergency response.
Issues

Consent/Admin Warrants

- In order to enter an area that is not public, informed consent must be obtained
  Must be an adult, 18 yrs or older
  Must have control over the premises
Consent must be voluntary
  - Burden is on the government to prove consent was voluntary
  - Document name, time and disposition of person giving consent
    on bottom of 2nd page of FOW, it is required at a minimum, to document
    who provided consent in the narrative of the I-213
Special Considerations: Children/Infants

Prior to operation, notify Juvenile Coordinator of operation & possibility of having to deal with infants/children. **PRE-PLAN** with DHS to ensure the children’s safety and care if parent(s) are in ICE custody. Child may be in school, may be at day care, hospitalized, etc. Considerations: number of children, ages, (medical issues, infant care/feeding, health, etc.)
REFER TO THE TORRES MEMO ENTITLED

JUVENILES ENCOUNTERED DURING FUGITIVE OPERATIONS
DATED 08/24/07
Highlights:
1) Nearest Child Welfare Authority
2) Local Law Enforcement
3) if 1&2 don’t work FOT must carefully document fugitive’s request for transfer of USC/LPR child to a verifiable third party.

Remember the use of prosecutorial discretion when dealing with juveniles.
Consent

Consent is involuntary when it is the product of Coercion or threat, expressed or implied. Officers need not advise the subject that consent may be refused, although whether such advisory is given is a factor in determining the voluntariness of the consent.

Consent may not be obtained by Trick or Coercion. (Example= Escaped convict in neighborhood- we need to search your house). M69 Section III-5 (Consent Searches)
Ruse

Are approved by Service Policy (Memo dated Aug 15, 2005/ March 6, 2006 both signed by Director John P. Torres).

Ruses are primarily used as a way to lure someone out to an area where the arrest can be conducted with the least amount of danger to both officers and target.

“Ruses run the gamut from saying you are looking for another person other than the target or adopting the guise of another agency.
Ruses

When adopting the guise of another agency (Federal, State or Local) that agency must be contacted and a memo produced to the file. The HQ Deputy Assistant Director, in consultation with the Office of Principal Legal Advisor, will consider issues raised by other entities/agencies.

The use of Ruses involving Health and Safety programs such as administered by private, Federal, State or Local Agencies is discontinued.
Media Issues

All Media communications surrounding a fugitive operation will be addressed to the Director for the Office of Public Affairs.

Offices are encouraged to contact the OPA regarding High profile arrests or consideration of media releases that may be favorable to ICE.

Operations with the potential to generate public publicity, garner media attention, cross-jurisdictional boundaries or involve multiple agencies will require an Operations Order.
Vehicle Pursuit Policy
Vehicle Pursuits Policy

All Vehicle Pursuits (High Speed/High Risk/Low Speed/Low Risk) are prohibited.

Nothing precludes an officer, previously trained in vehicles stops at FLETC, from conducting vehicle stops. Vehicles conducting vehicles stops must be equipped with emergency lights and sound making equipment (sirens) as prescribed for law enforcement vehicles by the state in which the vehicle is normally assigned to operate.
Fugitive Operations Support Center- Burlington, Vermont.

Created to support Fugitive Operations reports to the HQDRO, Compliance Enforcement Division

Goals 1: Improve the accuracy/integrity of fugitive/absconders identified in DACS.

Goal 2: Develop leads on fugitives/absconder cases and send leads to the appropriate Field Office for location and apprehension

Goal 3: Support National ICE/DRO initiatives.
INTERPOL

World largest international police organization with 168 member countries. National Central Bureaus (NCB) each INTERPOL member country maintains a National Central Bureau staffed by National Law Enforcement Officers. The NBC is the POC for regional offices requiring assistance with overseas investigations and the location and apprehension of Fugitives.
INTERPOL: Color Coded System

Red Notice: Seek arrest towards Extradition based upon an arrest warrant/Provisional warrant.

Blue Notice: used to collect information about a persons identity or illegal activity.

Green Notice: used to provide warnings and criminal intelligence about the persons who have committed criminal offenses and are likely to repeat these crimes in other countries.

White Notice: used to help locate missing persons, especially minors, or to help identify persons who are not able to identify themselves.
Interpol Color Coded System

**Black Notices**: is used to seek the true identity of unidentified bodies.

**Red Notices**: is used to warn police, public bodies and other international organization of possible threats to them from hidden weapons, parcel bombs, and other dangerous items or material.
DRO Policy

A Green notice is an Interpol generated advisory that “provides information on career criminals who have committed, or are likely to commit, offenses in several countries (habitual offenders, child molesters, pornographers). Operation Predator cases meet this definition. INTERPOL will be made aware of Operation Predator cases through the completion of a Green notice application. This notice will be completed at the time the Request for Escorted Country Clearance is made.
Request for Foreign Verification

When a FOT uncovers or DRO has information that a fugitive alien has fled to a foreign country, the team will complete a RFV- Request for Foreign Verification will be made to HQFUGOPS, electronically or via mail. HQFUGOPS will then utilize whatever resources available (Embassies, INTERPOL, ETC) and provide the requesting office with the information obtained.
Review

1. NFOP’s Mission
2. Identifying a Fugitive
3. Knowledge of Authority
4. Conducting Operations
5. Policy Issues/Directives
Questions

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THE END