AT LEAST FOUR MEXICAN POLICE OFFICERS MAY HAVE BEEN ACCEPTING PAYMENT FROM DRUG TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATIONS (DTOS). ALTHOUGH LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS BEING INVOLVED WITH DTOS AND ALIEN SMUGGLING ORGANIZATIONS (ASOS) WAS NOT NEW INFORMATION IT WAS IMPORTANT TO NOTE SO THAT IT CONTINUED TO BE PASSED AS CURRENT PRACTICE.
6. (U//FOD) AS OF EARLY SEPTEMBER, THE ONLY NATIONALITIES SMUGGLED BY ONE ORGANIZATION WERE MEXICAN, EL SALVADORIAN, AND NICARAGUAN. NON-HISPANICS WERE BELIEVED TO PAY MORE, UPWARDS OF 10,000 U.S. DOLLARS.

OCCASIONS MIGRANTS WERE TOLD THEY COULD NOT BRING FOOD OR DRINKS ON BOARD FOR THEIR VOYAGE.

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9. (U//FOD) THERE HAVE BEEN RECENT ARGUMENTS ABOUT SMUGGLING NARCOTICS INSTEAD OF PEOPLE. ONE ORGANIZATION SEEMED TO PREFER SMUGGLING DRUGS TO AVOID DEALING WITH THE EXTRA DIFFICULTY OF SMUGGLING HUMANS.
DRUG LOADS TYPICALLY HAD TWO OR MORE OUTBOARD ENGINES, WHILE MIGRANT LOADS NORMALLY ONLY HAD ONE ENGINE. THERE HAD BEEN AT LEAST ONE OCCASION WHERE TWO ENGINES OF DIFFERENT HP WERE PIECED TOGETHER TO MAKE A WORKING ENGINE; THIS ENGINE WAS CONSTRUCTED FOR A MIGRANT TRANSPORT. THERE WAS A DEFINITE LACK OF CONCERN FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE MIGRANTS ON BOARD. MIGRANTS WERE BUSSED IN FROM TIJUANA AND POSSIBLY KEPT IN A SAFE HOUSE. IF A MIGRANT DID NOT ADVANCE-PAY FOR A TRIP TO THE U.S., THE MIGRANT WAS KEPT IN A SAFE HOUSE IN THE U.S. UNTIL PAYMENT WAS RECEIVED; IT WAS UNKNOWN WHAT HAPPENED TO THE MIGRANT IF THE PAYMENT WAS NOT RECEIVED.

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