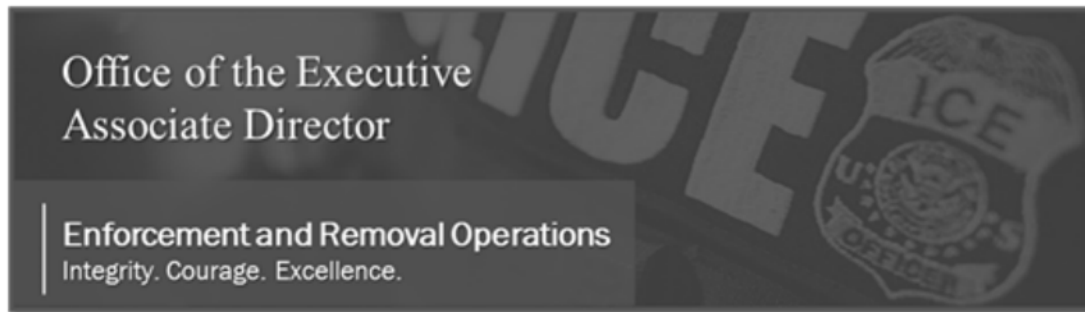


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To: All ERO Personnel

The past couple of weeks have been an exceptionally challenging time for our nation. Against the backdrop of the ongoing pandemic, brutality by those who have sworn to protect, followed by widespread protests and some instances of rioting, have tested the resolve of the American people.

We remain committed to equal treatment and upholding the civil rights that underpin our American values. ERO continues to treat all in our custody and care, and all those we encounter in the course of our duties, with the compassion, dignity, and respect that is foundational to our organization. So many of us chose the law enforcement profession principally because we want to improve the quality of life and provide security for all in this great nation.

As you may be aware, ERO personnel across the nation have provided assistance in highly sensitive capacities during this time. I want to highlight some of their work:

1. In the National Capital Region, a hotbed of unrest, six Special response Teams (SRTs) - from **Detroit, El Paso, Miami, New York, Phoenix, and San Antonio** - and approximately 70 personnel from the **Baltimore** and **Washington** Field Offices deployed to work with federal partners under an ICE Incident Commander and ERO Deputy Incident Commander.
2. **Buffalo** and **San Diego** SRTs partnered with Federal Protective Services to protect federal buildings where ICE is a tenant. In the course of these duties, the *Buffalo SRT saved the life of a civilian who was being violently pulled from his car by a mob.*
3. The **Denver** SRT provided facility security for a large protest at the Aurora Contract Detention Facility.

Our officers are highly trained and mobilize rapidly to developing situations and are coordinating closely with federal, state, and local law enforcement partners. This is a very dynamic moment in our country's history, and I want to thank our responding ERO personnel for remaining agile and committed to public safety as our country grapples with these events.

Please, remain vigilant and stay safe.

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