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Mr. Patrick Lechleitner
Acting Director
United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Washington, DC 20536

Dear Acting Director Lechleitner:

I write today to request information regarding your agency's failure to list Alan Jacob Mogollon-Anaya on the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) "Most Wanted" list.

Mr. Mogollon-Anaya, a Mexican national, was charged in April 2017 with vehicular homicide by intoxication, three counts of aggravated child abuse and neglect, aggravated assault, driving under the influence, driving left of center, and violation of probation following a crash that resulted in the death of a Washington County, Tennessee resident.¹ Mogollon-Anaya, who had two prior DUI convictions, entered the country without detection at an unknown place in 2003. He was ordered removed in October 2017. He is an ICE immigration fugitive in addition to being a criminal fugitive. As a result of these events, ICE placed Mr. Mogollon-Anaya on the Victims Of Immigration Crime Engagement (VOICE) Office Most Wanted fugitives list on April 11, 2019.² In June 2021, the VOICE Office was replaced with the Victims Engagement and Services Line (VESL), which has made no record of maintaining the Most Wanted fugitives list.

Despite initial assistance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI), and Customs and Border Patrol (CBP)³, ICE has yet to apprehend Mr. Mogollon-Anaya on these charges. Furthermore, despite the location of Mr. Mogollon-Anaya in Mexico following a years-long investigation by local investigators in Washington County, TN, the Mexican government has refused to cooperate with United States Federal Marshals in their attempts to have him extradited.

In yet another example of the Biden administration's failure to rein in its destructive policies shielding illegal aliens from arrest and deportation, ICE has not publicly listed Mr. Mogollon-Anaya on its Most

¹ Becky Campbell, *Manhunt still ongoing in vehicular homicide case*, Johnson City Press (July 5, 2020), https://www.johnsoncitypress.com/manhunt-still-ongoing-in-vehicular-homicide-case/article_8b23acd9-5f0d-5fa3-8739-fba8f3b6bbac.html

² U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, *ICE issues VOICE Most Wanted fugitives list* (April 11, 2019), <https://www.ice.gov/news/releases/ice-issues-voice-most-wanted-fugitives-list>

³ Becky Campbell, *Manhunt still ongoing in vehicular homicide case*, Johnson City Press (July 5, 2020), https://www.johnsoncitypress.com/manhunt-still-ongoing-in-vehicular-homicide-case/article_8b23acd9-5f0d-5fa3-8739-fba8f3b6bbac.html

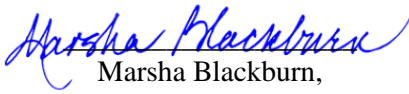
Wanted list, despite no major developments in his case since his addition to the VOICE Most Wanted fugitives list in 2019.⁴ These changes were implemented without a press release or public notice justifying the downgrade of Mr. Mogollon-Anaya from “Most Wanted” status. Failure to maintain the notoriety of these fugitives is both irresponsible and dangerous, as it removes momentum from the pursuit of justice in Mr. Mogollon-Anaya’s case and removes barriers to ensuring these heinous acts are not committed again in the future.

Please provide responses to the following questions by June 20, 2024:

1. What factors are considered when determining the addition or removal of individuals from the ICE Most Wanted list?
2. Through what forum and on what timeline does ICE notify the public of its intention to remove individuals from its Most Wanted list?
3. In transitioning the VOICE Office into VESL, what actions were taken to maintain a public record of the Most Wanted fugitives list?
4. Following the dissolution of the VOICE Office, why were the individuals listed on the Most Wanted fugitives list not added to the general Most Wanted list?
5. What avenues exist for ICE to assist United States marshals in their attempts to extradite illegal aliens for crimes committed on United States soil?
 - a. Will your agency commit to pursuing these avenues in the case of Alan Jacob Mogollon-Anaya?
6. What, if any, standards were used to determine which individuals from the Most Wanted fugitives list would not be added to the general Most Wanted list following the dissolution of the VOICE Office?

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,


Marsha Blackburn,
United States Senator

⁴ U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, *ICE issues VOICE Most Wanted fugitives list* (April 11, 2019), <https://www.ice.gov/news/releases/ice-issues-voice-most-wanted-fugitives-list>