

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE AURORA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Applicable Standards/Policies:

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Policy 1.1.6	"Public Access, Media Access to the Facility" The purpose of this policy is to outline the procedures for responding to inquiries from federal, state and local legislators, the public and the media. This policy outlines the public information program and describes the procedures necessary for media access to the facility.
ACA Standard	4-ALDF-7F-01 - Community Relations
I.C.E. Standard	Emergency Plans "Hostage Situations"
CALEA Standard	

Police Responses

Due to unique enforcement problems associated with detention facilities, the following police response may be utilized when responding to the Aurora/Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility located at 11901 E. 30th Avenue.

- 1. The facility is a private contract detention facility, which holds primarily civil detainees for the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.
- 2. The majority of the detainees are non-violent status offenders awaiting deportation. However, as with all individuals in a locked facility, violence may be used as a means of escape.
- 3. Force may be used as necessary to maintain the security of the institution.
- 4. As in all detention facilities, weapons will not be taken inside of the GEO facility unless necessary and authorized, i.e. gas, less than lethal munitions, etc.

Escapes

If requested, Aurora Police officers may respond to escape situations. Responding officers will be assigned to man perimeter positions around the G.E.O. facility to limit the movement of escapees into populated areas. Responding officers may detain and take escapees into custody as the act of escape from this facility represents a criminal violation of the United States Code.

- 1. Officers responding to "hot" escapes (those that have just occurred) may be assigned to the following positions.
 - a. 30th and Peoria Street

- b. 25th and Oswego Street
 c. 33rd and Oakland Street
- d. Smith Road and Moline Street
- 2. Cold escapes (those discovered through a head count or 15 minutes plus old) will be reported to the police.
- 3. GEO personnel will be responsible for searching the inner perimeter for escapees.
 - a. Aurora Police Department K-9 officers may be utilized if the situation warrants it.
- 4. Denver police dispatch and the airport detail will be informed of the escape and all pertinent information.
- 5. Upon apprehension, the suspect will be returned to the GEO facility, unless they have committed a felony.

Disturbance

The primary responsibility of the Aurora Police responding to a disturbance is to assist GEO personnel in removing persons from life threatening situations. Once that mission has been accomplished, the following may occur:

- 1. GEO personnel, in conjunction with the Aurora Police Department and I.C.E. personnel, will be responsible for suppressing riot/disturbance activities inside of the facility.
- 2. Detainees may have to be removed from the GEO facility to other detention facilities.
- 3. Due to language barriers, all negotiations, if necessary, will be undertaken by Immigration and Customs Enforcement personnel.

Bomb Threat

All bomb threats will be handled following standard procedures. The decision to evacuate will be the responsibility of GEO and Immigration and Customs Enforcement personnel.

<u>Other</u>

The Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement will be reimbursed for any and all expenses incurred in providing assistance.

Aurora Police Department Consideration

This is not a contract and creates no legal rights in either party; it is simply a framework within which the parties have agreed to operate under normal circumstances.

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