



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-0917**

March 1, 2024

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary of Homeland Security  
Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Secretary Mayorkas,

In recent weeks, there have been a multitude of headlines regarding violent criminal acts committed by illegal aliens allowed into the country by President Biden's Administration. Just last week, Jose Antonio Ibarra, an illegal alien from Venezuela, was arrested for the murder of Laken Riley on the campus of the University of Georgia. This week, in a Maryland suburb of Washington D.C., Nilson Granados-Trejo, an illegal alien from El Salvador, was charged with the murder of a 2-year-old boy. These are just a sampling of the crime wave set in motion by President Biden's dishonorable indifference to the crisis on our southern border.

Unfortunately, my district recently felt the effects of these criminal elements spilling across our border. On February 26, 2024, Santo Felix Cruz-Ramos, a 25 year-old illegal alien, was arrested for a rape in Englewood, Florida. According to the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office, Cruz-Ramos was observed on video entering the hotel room of a female victim where she alleges that he forced himself on her. Surveillance video showed Cruz-Ramos running out of the victim's room after the alleged sexual assault. During questioning, Cruz-Ramos informed Charlotte County Sheriff's Deputies that he illegally entered the United States.

This lawlessness is occurring in congressional districts across our country, and the Biden Administration's border and immigration policies are allowing criminal aliens to stream across the border. Given that this alleged sexual assault occurred in my district, I ask that you provide the following information regarding Santo Felix Cruz-Ramos.

1. Case history information, including, but not limited to, the Cruz-Ramos' immigration history, immigration benefits applications, the alien file (A-file) or consular file (including all consular notes), and immigration detention status and history.
2. Information regarding the time, date, and place of any and all of Cruz-Ramos' entries into the United States.
3. Information regarding the Cruz-Ramos' processing by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials, including whether CBP officials were alerted to derogatory information about Cruz-Ramos and what questions were asked of him during the screening process.

4. Whether U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement lodged an immigration detainer against Cruz-Ramos.

5. Whether your agency is aware of any other pending criminal charges against Cruz-Ramos.

Please provide this information to my office no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 8, 2024. I look forward to your timely response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Gregory Steube". The signature is stylized with a large, circular flourish at the end.

W. Gregory Steube  
Member of Congress