# **Fact Sheet**

## The President's Fiscal 2001 Immigration Budget

2/7/00 (rev.)

## **Detention and Removal**

The FY 2001 Budget includes \$119.5 million and 250 new positions to strengthen efforts to identify and remove criminal aliens by increasing and improving detention bed space and transportation. INS will also expand its ability to enter information into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) database, allowing nationwide computerized identification and apprehension of previously deported criminals.

### **State and Local Detention Bed Space**

To comply with the mandatory detention requirements of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, the budget requests 25 Deportation Officers, 67 Detention Enforcement Officers, and 17 support positions to sustain an additional 1,000 average daily state and local detention bed spaces. This initiative includes resources to detain, remove and transport aliens. **(\$78.9 million)** 

#### **Detention Standards**

The budget requests \$8.6 million and 40 Deportation Officers, 37 Detention Enforcement Officers, and three Procurement Officers to implement detention standards at the state and local prisons and jails where INS contracts for detention beds. This initiative will enable INS to implement a program for all aliens in INS detention that includes a legal rights video presentation, access to legal materials, private telephone access, and visitation in private consultation rooms for attorney/client meetings. INS officers will provide management and liaison with the facilities to implement and maintain detention standards, initially focusing on the largest facilities before upgrading smaller facilities. **(\$8.6 million)** 

## **Juvenile Detention Bed Space**

The budget requests \$8.5 million to fund 120 critically needed juvenile detention bed spaces nationwide, as well as providing resources for detention vehicles and other support equipment. The budget also requests seven Deportation Officers, three Detention Enforcement Officers, and one Procurement Analyst to manage the cases, transport the juveniles and implement removals. **(\$8.5 million)** 

### **National Transportation System**

The budget includes \$15.5 million to fund an increase of 16,000 detainee transfers and repatriations as part of the Justice Prisoner and Alien Transportation System (JPATS). JPATS, created in 1995 by the U.S. Marshals Service and INS, is an air

transportation system to transfer or repatriate federal prisoners and detainees. This funding will allow INS to increase its number of JPATS transfers and repatriations to a total of 85,000 in FY 2001. **(\$15.5 million**)

## **National Crime Information Center (NCIC)**

The budget includes \$8.0 million for 18 Deportation Officer and 32 program specialist positions for improvements in INS' use of the NCIC system, an FBI-operated database to track criminals. INS enters deported felons into the database. Included in the request are resources for alien detention, the installation of NCIC terminals and connections, detention vehicles, travel costs and alien removals. The additional staff will allow INS to better coordinate the daily use of NCIC, validate the quality of records, confirm the accuracy of the data, respond to hits on INS records in NCIC, and take custody, transport, detain and remove aliens apprehended by other law enforcement agencies. **(\$8.0 million)** 

#### **FY 2001 Initiatives**

(\$ in millions)

Initiative	S&E	BBDF*	Total
National Transportation System	\$10.0	\$5.5	\$15.5
Juvenile Detention Bed Space	3.5	5.0	8.5
State/Local Detention Bed Space	51.9	27.0	78.9
<b>Detention Standards</b>	8.6	_	8.6
National Crime Information Center (NCIC)	8.0	_	8.0
Total	\$82.0	\$37.5	\$119.5

<sup>\*</sup> The \$37.5 million in the Breached Bond Detention Fund will come from a proposed re-authorization of a permanent 245(I) adjustment-of-status program.