

## EL PASO BORDER DOCU-PKG

### Legend

- REPORTER TRACK- UPPER CASE/BLACK
- SOTS- **Sentence Case RED**
- B-ROLL– **Sentence Case PURPLE**
- GRAPHICS – **Yellow**

### SCRIPT

(B-ROLL – border fence..moving shot)

OUR ASSIGNMENT WAS TO SPEND A DAY HERE- ALONG THE BORDER - BETWEEN THE U-S AND MEXICO, IN EL PASO-- THE NATION'S LARGEST BORDER CITY

**MVI 7766 – B-ROLL** Oscar Cervantes checking ids

**MVI 7768 – inside of bus** :05 let me introduce myself.. :10 I've been a border patrol agent for about 8 and a half years now..

**MVI 7778 - 1:35 VIDEO-NATS FULL come and step off please.. outside..**

**IT BEGAN LIKE THE USUAL RIDE-A-ALONG WITH OSCAR CERVANTES AND JOE REYES - WITH THE EL PASO SECTOR OF THE U-S BORDER PATROL.. MAKING STOPS ALONG THE BORDER FENCE.**

[NATS ON THE BUS]

AND THEN THIS.. [**NATS OF THE APPREHENSION**] **JEN 32G DRIVE - MVI 7787 :46** because that's why they built the park.. (2:00? Till truck comes back)

3:11 nats.. good eye man..

3:20 (AGENT SPEAKING.. **ADD GRAPHIC OVER VIDEO**)

So you not any people have the chance to see something like that.. I apologize some people can't see something in regards to.. 3:36 you just witnessed an apprehension 3:38.. it doesn't make our job easy.. another misconception.. people think we're robots. We're not . we're humans do our jobs with compassion.. **4:00** we feel for people but we have a job to uphold. It's what we signed up for. 4:09 we have struggles.. 4:11 a lot of the things we see is very difficult especially seeing kids. I myself am a parent.. joe he's a parent.. it's hard to see kids to be put through making that illegal entry.. but you know up little do they know that the were going to have to go pass that canal that I explained to you 4:35..d angers. I feel like I just saved their lives ..they're little kids how are they going to be able to spend. They're little kids. The current's

going to take them. 4:48..5:00 employee assistance programs.. if we need to speak to somebody..

[GRAPHIC- THE women asked to “please let them go”]

[GRAPHIC- ACCORDING TO AGENT CERVANTES, BORDER PATROL HAS THE HIGHEST SUICIDE RATES IN ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT THROUGHOUT THE NATION STRESS OF THE JOB 5:40]

EACH YEAR THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE- MAINLY MEXICANS- CROSS THIS BORDER FOR WHAT THEY FEEL IS A BETTER LIFE. SOME MAY PAY HUNDREDS OR EVEN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS..

A LOT OF TIME THAT MONEY’S LOST BECAUSE THEY END UP AS THESE IMMIGRANTS FROM guatemala.. BEING CAUGHT AT THE BORDER

LAST YEAR 25,000 PEOPLE WERE APPREHENDED IN THIS REGION COMPARED TO 14,000 IN 2015.

[JEN 32G DRIVE MVI 7789- :15 I’m sorry you can’t film here because we’re actually in a government facility. FADE TO BLACK].

[GRAPHIC OVER BLACK- we toured the processing facility- the apprehended women and children were brought in. Another gentleman was with them...]

[We were shown dozens of surveillance cameras, including motion sensors]

[STANDUP] MVI 7803 6:18

The El Paso sector of the border runs some 268 miles. And that includes this mountain range. Over my shoulder there are 18 ft high fences. They’re secured five feet underground. What you may not know is the history of this section which dates back to 1904 when mounted police on horseback stopped Chinese immigrants from entering the country

TODAY THEY PATROL BY AIR.. [nats of chopper] JT – MVI 0120 \*\*NATS OF HELICOPTER\*\*

AND GROUND.. [guy on motorcycle] KINGSTON MVI 7773 - \*\*B-ROLL MOTORCYCLE\*\*

THEY REGARD THEMSELVES AT BEAT-COPS.. LOOKING FOR THE SO-CALLED BAD GUYS.

JT MVI 0138 (BEAT COPS)\*\* 2:26 border patrol think of them as the beat cop. We’re the street cop out there.. we make the arrests

[SOT: SHADOW GUY—most people coming are not criminals]

Broll working

**THIS U-S CITIZEN WHO DIDN'T WANT TO USE NAME OR SHOW HIS FACE, REMEMBERS CROSSING -- BETWEEN MEXICO AND U-S WITHOUT BARRIERS -- AS A CHILD.**

[SOT – MORE TATOO GUY]

[SOT] – **KINGSTON MVI 7794 ROBERT ARDOVINO INTERVIEW**

5:43 when I was a kid I could ride my bike in the desert and get a coke in mexico and ride back with nothing but me and the jack rabbits and a friend.. now it's impossible to do that..

**RESTAURNTEER ROBERT ARDOVINO CO-OWNS A RESTAURANT THAT'S BEEN IN HIS FAMILY SINCE THE 1940S RIGHT HEREIN THE BORDERLINE COMMUNITY. THE RESTAURANT IS ONE-THOUSAND MILES FROM THE BORDER WITH NOTHING BUT DESERT BETWEEN HIS BUSINESS AND THE BORDER FENCE**

[COVER THIS WITH B-ROLL FROM MVI 7795]

[ARDOVINO SOTS]

**MVI 7796** \*\*\*10:25 most of the people who are come through haven't been coming through to have problems.. I know because I haven't had many problems at all.. 1:40

**MVI 7797**

\*\*\* :02 THEY WANT TO BELIEVE something's happening when it's really not I know there's been issues with drugs coming over the border. I've been here for 25 years and I know of 3 or 4 times when someone has tried to bring something in.. but they get caught. :24 I don't know what I don't see but I do see is that isn't what's been described in the national news from the middle of the country. :37

1:03 why don't we talk about what's going wrong in Mexico and what the United States is doing to perpetuate that. 1:10 that's where you start.. you don't start with putting fences up. In my opinion that's not the solution. 1:17

**WE HEARD A SIMILAR REFRAIN FROM SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS**

[SOTS GUYS AT STORE]

**THIS IS A TALE OF TWO COUNTRIES.. WITH MUCH MORE IN COMMON THAN WHAT DIVIDES THEM.**

**HISTORY.. COMMUNITY...**

**A WALL.. A FENCE**

**THE PORTAL TO A BETTER LIFE FOR SOME.. A PAINFUL PLIGHT FOR OTHERS. FOR BORDERZINE I'M JENNIFER THOMAS**

