

Illegal immigrant from Guatemala who is living in Massachusetts charged with rape of two minors

Officers with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)'s Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) arrested a Guatemalan noncitizen fugitive who is wanted in his home country for rape/aggravated sexual assault charges against two minor girls.



Carlos Horacio Suarez Monroy, Guatemala.

Carlos Horacio Suarez Monroy, a 38-year-old Guatemalan national, was arrested by ERO's Boston Fugitive Operations South Team near his residence in Winthrop, Massachusetts, Jan. 20. Suarez-Monroy is a foreign fugitive, and the subject of an Interpol Red Notice, wanted on felony aggravated sexual assault charges by a Guatemalan municipal court that prosecutes crimes of femicide and other forms of violence against women in Guatemala.

"I'm extremely proud of the professionalism and dedication to public service displayed by our Fugitive Operations team that made this arrest," said Todd M. Lyons, Field Office Director, Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), Boston. "Their rapid response in apprehending this individual will ensure he faces justice for his alleged depraved sexual criminal acts against children in Guatemala. This arrest should strengthen the peace of mind and sense of safety for all members of our community and shows that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will not be a safe haven for those wanted in their native countries."

Following his arrest, Suarez Monroy was transported to the Boston ICE field office in Burlington, Massachusetts, for processing. Suarez Monroy entered the U.S. against immigration law in 2013. Following this initial encounter and subsequent determination of inadmissibility by U.S. Border Patrol, he was referred to ICE for removal proceedings, but remained present in the country. Suarez-Monroy will remain in ICE custody pending removal proceedings.

Members of the public who have information about foreign fugitives are urged to contact ICE by calling the ICE Tip Line at 1 (866) 347-2423 or internationally at 001-1802-872-6199. They can also file a tip online by completing ICE's online tip form.

ICE focuses its civil immigration enforcement priorities on the apprehension and removal of noncitizens who pose a threat to our national security, public safety and border security.