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In year-end offer, US triples payment to illegal aliens who sign up for self-deportation

'Self-deportation through the CBP Home app is the best gift that an illegal alien can give themselves and their families this holiday season,' DHS asserts



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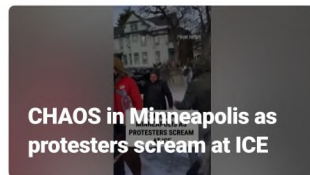
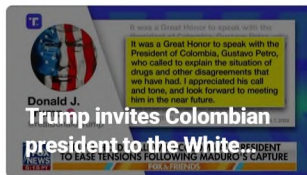
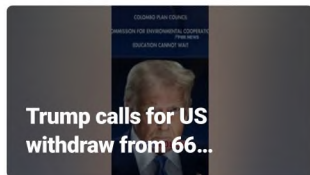


Kristi Noem calls green card lottery 'dangerous' after program's suspension

DHS Secretary Kristi Noem joins 'Fox & Friends' to discuss the suspension of the green card lottery due to crime, the U.S. pressure on Venezuela and more.

The U.S. Department of [Homeland Security](#) is offering to pay illegal aliens \$3,000 and provide a free plane ticket out of the U.S. if they register by the end of the year for self-deportation on the CBP One app.

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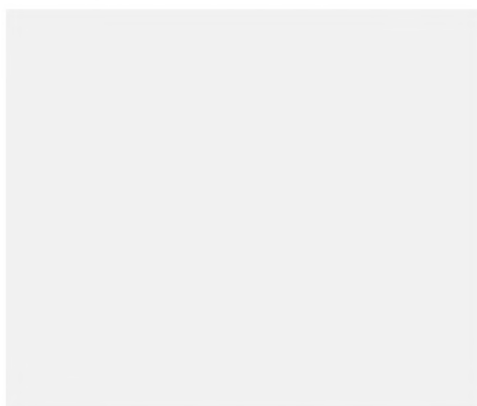
The offer triples the normal \$1,000 monetary incentive offered by President [Donald Trump's](#) administration to illegal aliens who sign up.

"Illegal aliens who sign up to self-deport through the CBP Home app by the end of the year will receive a \$3,000 stipend in addition to a free flight home. Using the CBP Home app also qualifies recipients for forgiveness of any civil fines or penalties for failing to depart the country," a DHS [press release](#) notes.

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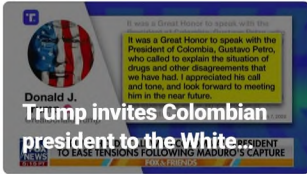
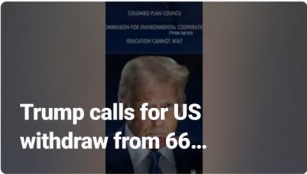


Secretary of Homeland Security Kristi Noem participates in the annual Christmas Tree Ship arrival ceremony aboard the U.S. Coast Guard cutter USCGC Mackinaw at Navy Pier on Dec. 6, 2025, in Chicago. (Jacek Boczarski/Anadolu via Getty Images)

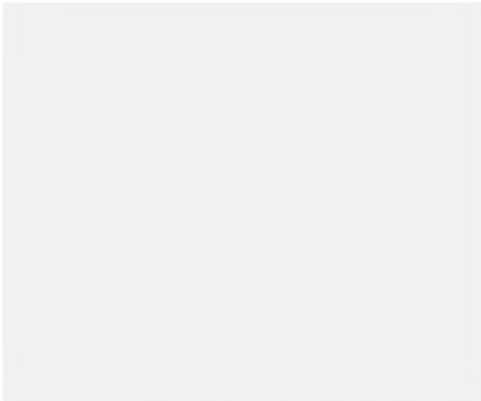


"Self-deportation through the CBP Home app is the best gift that an illegal alien can give themselves and their families this holiday season," the release asserts. "Those illegal aliens who don't take advantage of this special offer today have only one alternative: They will be arrested, deported, and they will never be able to return to the United States."

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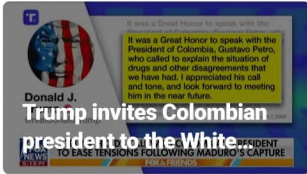
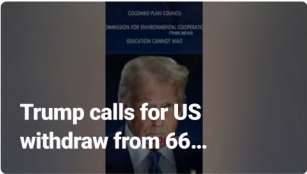


"Since January 2025, 1.9 million illegal aliens have voluntarily self-deported and tens of thousands have used the CBP Home program. During the Christmas Season, the U.S. taxpayer is so generously TRIPLING the incentive to leave voluntarily for those in this country illegally- offering a \$3,000 exit bonus, but just until the end of the year," Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem noted, according to a press release.

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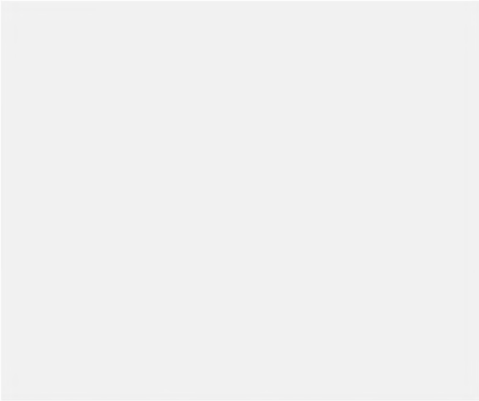


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Secretary of Homeland Security Kristi Noem testifies before the House Committee on Homeland Security in the Cannon House Office Building on Dec. 11, 2025, in Washington, D.C. (Anna Moneymaker/Getty Images)

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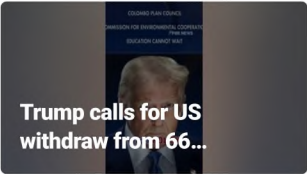


"Illegal aliens should take advantage of this gift and self-deport because if they don't, we will find them, we will arrest them, and they will never return," she warned.

Alex Nitzberg is a writer for Fox News Digital.



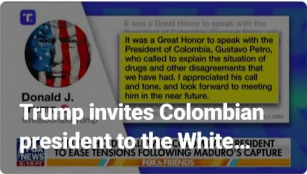
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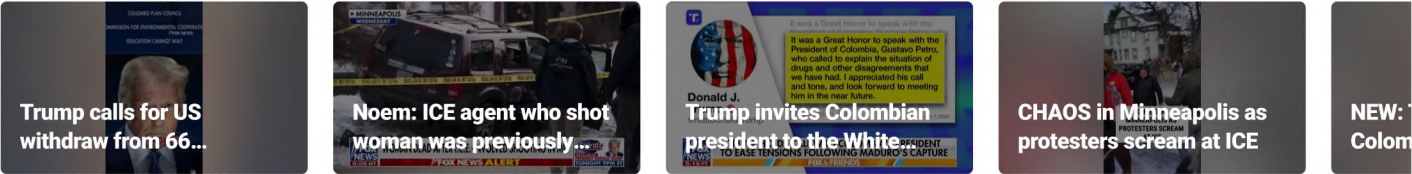


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Registering is not the same as leaving the country. The money should not be handed out until they are back in their home country and have set up a bank account to handle the transfer. No checks, no money orders, no cash, otherwise it will end up in the hands of drug lords.

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You obviously haven't been reading all the news. The money isn't paid to them until they are confirmed to be back in their respective country.

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While most all of us would rather not pay them \$3000, this ultimately is a business decision. The legal process of catching them, jailing them during all of processing, litigating against those who want them to stay, and ultimately deporting them costs far more than \$3000.

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Keep in mind, the reason Joe Biden's administration opened wide the doors to illegal immigration was to get more House seats for Democrats. The amount of House seats is based solely on the population-not whether or not someone is here legally. They also get an Electoral vote for each House seat (an...

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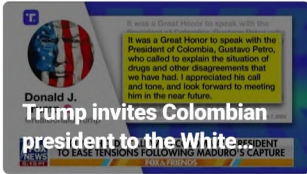
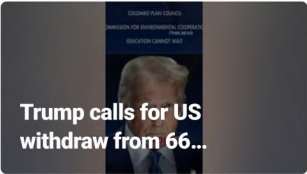
This is wrong. We shouldn't have to pay criminals to obey the law. I also don't like the \$2K tariff rebate check for Americans. People didn't vote for Trump to get free money but they did vote for him to reduce the debt, which is where the tariff money should go.

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We should get the \$3000 per illegal person back to us. Meaning if we give each illegal person \$3000 we should get money as follows; 1. The foreign company reimburses us. 2. The USA company that used the illegal person is fined way over \$3000. 3. The car company that accepted the money to sell a...**See more**

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How about give them \$10K and then charge them \$11K once in custody?
This is a terrible idea. Why should an illegal self-deport instead of holding out until the reward becomes \$5K or \$8K or \$12K.
This is why you don't negotiate with terrorists. And it's why you don't REWARD BAD BEHAVIOR.

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No employer has been handcuffed, no assets seized. This is child's play until that happens. We already pay their healthcare, their uninsured auto insurance, we educate their kids. When does it stop? They have had a year. Jail a single employer of stature, take the assets, charge them with human ...
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What part of 1.9 million already self deporting were you unable to understand? That is one sixth of the illegals Joe Biden allowed into the country and in only 11 months. Since many of them are paid under the table, which employers did you plan to go after?

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I'm not an illegal, but if I was an illegal, I would not pass up on this deal. Three grand goes a long ways in other countries.

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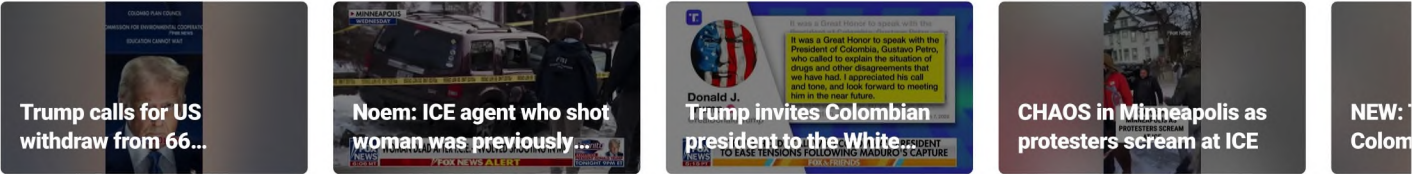
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But it was \$1K... and now \$3K. Why not hold out for \$5K or \$10K.
Another misstep by the Trump administration.
Bring in the military and every federal law enforcement official to Chicago. Encircle the city. Converge and squeeze. Deport them all. Not just the ones that committed other felonies. All of ...

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Rewarding illegal invaders with 3000 bucks in order to self deport is sadly cheaper than locating, arresting, then deporting them with democrats fighting the entire way.

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Exactly! I wonder how much \$ was spent on just one illegal that the Government can't seem to deport, i.e. Kilmar Abrego Garcia, the hero of the Dem Party. I wonder if they want him to run for office.

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Thank you President Trump for fixing the mess.

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Americans need to be fined and imprisoned for hiring anyone not a citizen of this nation. I dont care who you are you should be fined and jailed. This will put a stop to this mess once and for all. Give Americans \$3000 to turn in other Americans who break the law hiring illegal aliens.

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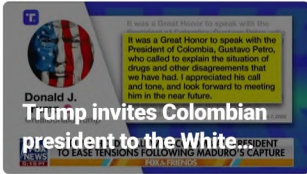
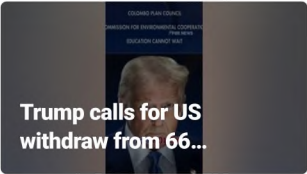
That would ruin the economy. Only in certain instances has this been done. Usually with companies big enough to send a message but not hurt the economy. Tyson chicken comes to mind.

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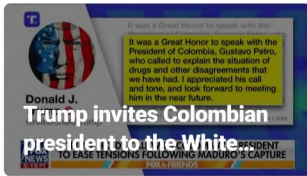
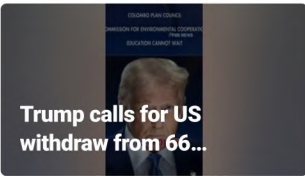
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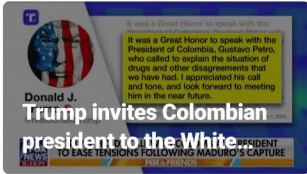
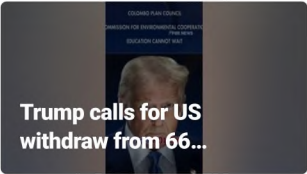
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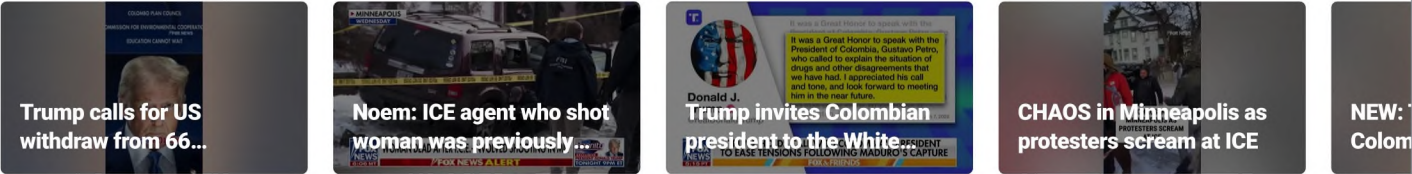
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