

Explanation of Video Footage

00:00-00:10

Date: May 14, 2012

Description: In the early morning of May 14, 2012 Border Patrol agents destroy water left for migrants in distress along a desert trail near the town of Arivaca, Arizona. More than 178 people died while crossing the Arizona desert during Fiscal Year 2012. [note: the time stamp on this video is incorrect]

No known disciplinary action was taken against the agent(s).

00:11-00:21

Date: January 8, 2013

Description: On January 8, 2013 - in the midst of historic cold temperatures - a Border Patrol agent removes blankets from a trail used by migrants near the town of Arivaca, Arizona.

No known disciplinary action was taken against this agent.

00:22-00:53

Date: Summer 2010

Description: The exact date of this video, taken by a No More Deaths volunteer, is unknown. The agent pictured in the video is known as agent Kermes. In 2012 a PBS aired a "Need to Know" special investigation on Border Patrol abuses highlighting agent Kermes and his personal facebook page, which showed pictures of migrants in the desert (presumably who he had taken into custody). No More Deaths volunteers meet with the Tucson sector Border Patrol Chief to file complaints against agent Kermes on multiple occasions. In some meetings volunteers were told that agent Kermes had been removed from duty. In other meetings volunteers were told that it is an official policy to not release any information about internal disciplinary cases. No More Deaths volunteers continued to run into and see agent Kermes working in the field and at internal checkpoints as recently as 2015.

00:54-1:11

Date: February 10, 2017

Description: On February 10, 2017 an agent is seen covertly destroying water gallons left out by aid volunteers. This grainy, trail cam footage shows an agent huddled over a cache of gallons. At 1:05 on video, the agent is seen stabbing the gallon. Water spurts from the punctured container.

No known disciplinary action has been taken against this agent.

1:12- 1:29

Date: January 10th, 2017

Description: On January 10th, 2017, a Border Patrol agent removes a blanket left out by aid volunteers for people crossing the border. Temperatures in this area regularly reach near freezing or below at night this time of year.

No known disciplinary action has been taken against this agent.

This video evidence of US Border Patrol agents participating in the destruction and confiscation of aid supplies takes place over a seven year period. This demonstrates a routine practice of destruction of aid supplies. No More Deaths demands an immediate end to the destruction and confiscation of humanitarian aid supplies. *We demand that US Border Patrol, create a standard operating procedure stating such and designating the destruction of humanitarian-aid supplies and the obstruction of humanitarian-aid efforts as a fireable offense. We demand that US Border Patrol document these and all other internal disciplinary measures in publicly accessible records.*