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In March 2021, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) instituted the “Notice to Report” (NTR) process whereby it released into the United States certain noncitizens encountered at the southwest border without issuing them a notice to appear (NTA). As a result, on November 7, 2021, Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) began implementing Operation Horizon (OH) to identify, locate, and initiate removal proceedings against those noncitizens issued an NTR.

Three categories of noncitizens have been released by CBP under the NTR process: (1) noncitizens released as an act of prosecutorial discretion (NTR PD); (2) noncitizens paroled with SmartLINK (a mobile phone supervision device); and (3) noncitizens paroled with a GPS ankle monitor. ^{(b)(5)}

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