

Hundreds of Migrants from Africa Who Speak French Landed in San Antonio

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African migrants began illegally crossing the South Texas border at the end of May and by June 5, more than 500 African migrants had crossed illegally in this single port at the Del Rio Sector in less than a week. Just before the illegal crossings began, hundreds of African migrants gathered near an international bridge in Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, to protest not being allowed entry into the US through a legal port of entry, complaining that Cuban migrants were being given preferential treatment. It is unknown who is funding the migration of Africans. Critics are concerned about disease as there has been an outbreak of Ebola in the Congo.

San Antonio officials scrambled this week to find French-speaking volunteers to help with hundreds of Congolese migrants arriving in the Alamo City.

"We didn't get a heads up," Interim Assistant City Manager Dr. Collen Bridger told KEN 5 after a group of 350 Congolese migrants arrived in the city unexpectedly. "When we called Border Patrol to confirm, they said, 'yea another 200 to 300 from the Congo and Angola will be coming to San Antonio.'"

Bridger told the local CBS affiliate that they are looking for volunteers who can speak French. "If you speak primarily French and can come spend six, seven, eight hours, that would be really helpful," Bridger explained.

The City of San Antonio apparently expected to be able to move the Congolese migrants along to Portland, Maine. "When we reached out to

Portland Maine they said, 'Please don't send us any more. We're already stretched way beyond our capacity," Bridger stated. Instead, the City is now attempting to locate other localities that will accept these migrants.

South and central African migrants began illegally crossing the South Texas border on May 30 when 117 migrants from the Republic of the Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Angola crossed in the Del Rio Sector. By June 5, more than 500 African migrants had crossed illegally in this single Border Patrol sector, Breitbart News reported.

In a press call on Wednesday afternoon, Brian Hastings, U.S. Border Patrol Chief of Law Enforcement Operations, told reporters this was the first large group "ever recorded in Border Patrol history solely from Central and South Africa. We've never seen that demographic in a large group of that size before."

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