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CDN Narcoterrorism Network

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Today's action targeted three high-ranking members and one associate of Cartel del Noreste (CDN) in the Mexican border cities of Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas and Piedras Negras, Coahuila. CDN's criminal activity negatively influences communities on both sides of the border, and their role in fentanyl trafficking and human smuggling into the United States puts American lives in danger. OFAC is sanctioning these individuals for their roles in aiding this violent organization's horrific crimes, including assassinations, beheadings, drug trafficking, extortion, and money laundering.

☐ New Designees

Previously Designated México-based CDN Senior Members



Ismael Lopez Guerrero
DOB: 01 Jun 1978



Miguel Angel De Anda Ledezma
a.k.a. "Miguelon"
DOB: 16 Sep 1984



Ricardo Gonzalez Sauceda
a.k.a. "El Ricky"
DOB: 21 Jan 1998

México-based CDN Senior Members



Abdon Federico Rodriguez Garcia
a.k.a. "Cucho"
DOB: 16 Jan 1984



Antonio Romero Sanchez
a.k.a. "Romeo"
DOB: 27 Jul 1984



Francisco Daniel Esqueda Nieto
a.k.a. "Franky de la Joya"
DOB: 23 Oct 1994

México-based CDN Associate



Ricardo Hernandez Medrano
a.k.a. "El Makabelico"
DOB: 13 Apr 1991



(Unmasked)



Map Source: Drug Enforcement Administration