



# Swastika Artist Is Illegal Mexican — Arrested Just Before He Vandalized Train Station

The Biden Regime's contempt for the law showed again last week, this time in graffiti at Washington, D.C.'s, Union Station.

The swastikas drawn on its exterior walls are the artistry of a twice-deported Mexican illegal with a long criminal career, the *Washington Examiner* has reported, including two recent arrests that should have triggered action by immigration authorities.

But nothing was done, even after the graffiti arrest, because <u>Alejandro Mayorkas has</u> <u>blocked</u> virtually all removals of illegal aliens.



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And even if Mayorkas is forced to send this one packing, that won't mean <u>he'll do anything</u> about the rest <u>he has imported</u> in violation of the law. They're probably here forever.

#### **Career Criminal**

As with so many illegals, Geraldo Pando, the 34-year-old arrested for the vandalism, is no stranger to American law enforcement.

"Arrest records ... reveal that Pando had an extensive, 35-page criminal history in Colorado before he arrived in the District of Columbia recently," the *Examiner* reported:

Despite his record, Immigration and Customs Enforcement did not attempt to take him into federal custody after his Union Station arrest so that he could face deportation proceedings in court, instead allowing him to remain in the United States.

Pando had also been detained and arrested a week prior to the Union Station incident for vandalizing the U.S. Capitol Police headquarters, according to a senior Senate aide familiar with Pando's run-ins with federal, state, and local law enforcement. Capitol Police released him because ICE did not ask that he be detained until he could be transferred into federal custody. Capitol Police and ICE did not respond to requests for comment.

Pando is nothing if not a tenacious criminal. No matter how many times he's caught, he keeps trying to get away it.

In 2006, cops in Aurora, Colorado, nailed him for "felony drug possession, driving without a license and proof of insurance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of marijuana," the *Examiner* continued.

He pleaded guilty to possessing the Devil's Lettuce; authorities dropped the other charges.



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In April 2016, cops arrested the Mexican "on two felony charges, trespassing with intent to commit a crime and possession of burglary tools, and three misdemeanor theft and mischief charges. He pleaded guilty to one misdemeanor charge, and the four felony and misdemeanor charges were dismissed. He was jailed for 30 days."

But again, Pando is nothing if not determined:

Pando was arrested in March 2018 for trespassing and released. Police obtained a warrant for his arrest when he failed to appear in court. He was arrested on a felony charge a month later by the Denver Police Department for possession of a controlled substance. He was convicted and sentenced to 547 days in jail. He was also placed on two years' probation for the previous trespassing and burglary charges.

After being released from jail, Pando was arrested by the Aurora Police Department in October 2020 for assaulting a first responder, reporting false information, and harassment and obscene language. The charges were dismissed in August 2021.

Despite all this — and the arrests last month — Immigration and Customs Enforcement didn't arrest him for deportation.

Understandably, Senator Rob Portman (R-Ohio) of the Homeland Security Committee is furious.

"The criminal who defaced Union Station with antisemitic symbols ... should not have been able to commit this act of hatred," he told the *Examiner*. "He is a convicted felon and an unlawful migrant with a criminal history of deportations and arrests."

The Biden Regime's refusal to deport Pando is "inexcusable" in light of the "heinous crime" he committed, Portman said. "This administration's poor policies and reluctance to remove criminals from our streets continue to result in additional harm to our country."

#### Mayorkas: Let 'Em Stay

<u>Mayorkas announced</u> that illegals would not be deported early last year, then <u>codified the policy</u> in writing in September. In November, DHS <u>implemented it</u>. <u>He explained it</u> again publicly in late January during a speech to the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

For an illegal to be deported, he would have to commit a crime on the order of first-degree murder. And even then, as *The New American* has reported, removal is no sure thing.

That policy is unlikely to change, no matter how many dangerous criminals it keeps in the country, given the regime's goal: alter the country's demographics to cement permanent Democrat power.





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