

BORDERS

Episode #101 - "Criminals, Drug Lords, and Rapists"

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**TEASER**

1 INT. SAN DIEGO IMMIGRATION DETAINMENT CENTER - DAY 1

SUPERIMPOSE: **FEBRUARY 2020**

A huge building. Looks like it was once a warehouse/factory. It's loud, dirty, and dimly lit.

Now it's a camp for undocumented immigrant detainees.

In the center of the facility are two huge WIRED CAGES with dozens of IMMIGRANT DETAINEES stuffed into each.

Men in one, women and children in the other.

They look like dog kennels.

These cages are stained, trash everywhere, people crammed inside -- very prison like... Matter of fact, Zoo-like.

All attention is focused on the women-children cage.

A CHILEAN MOTHER (30s) rocks a CRYING BABY in her arms, trying to see something deep inside the gated area...

An ELDERLY NICARAUGAN MAN struggles to hold himself up against the gate, trying to see inside the opposite cage -- *what is it??*

Then, we see it...

A DECEASED DETAINEE WOMAN lies on the floor with an aluminum-colored blanket over her.

An ELDERLY MOTHER hysterically cries over her daughter.

Surrounding detainees swat FLIES out of their faces. Then...

*BOOM!*

The camp's door roughly whips open, it sounds like a gunshot.

The vicinity roars into chaos.

A group of THREE BORDER PATROL AGENTS enter the detainment center with guns in hand. TWO PARAMEDICS follow behind with a stretcher.

Leading the group is OFFICER JULIO MARQUEZ; 35, Salvadorian-American, the only one unaware of his own identity. *Blind of his other-ness.*

The compassionless officer follows behind the muzzle of his gun, leading the group towards the opening of the cage.

He shoos the detainees.

JULIO MARQUEZ  
GET BACK!

They do. The detainees make a pathway for him and his crew.

After OFFICER ROB DAWSON (40s, white) unlocks the cage, Julio continues to lead his squad into the cage.

The group finally reaches the area where the DEAD BODY lays.

The paramedics load the body onto the stretcher--

The crying mother won't let go of her deceased daughter.

Julio and the THIRD BORDER PATROL AGENT carelessly drag her off of the body.

The other detainees in the cages watch, petrified.

Once the body is loaded on the stretcher, Julio takes a look around the cage, then starts for the exit.

Julio locks the gate immediately after his team is out.

At the paramedics taking the body out:

OFFICER ROB DAWSON  
Second one this week, Marquez.

JULIO MARQUEZ  
Go check on the shipment.

Dawson chuckles, then walks out of sight.

Disgusted, Julio stares into the sea of immigrant detainees.

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