

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office
Joe Arpaio, Sheriff
News Brief

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***SHERIFF'S OFFICE SEIZES
NEARLY \$250K AND MULTIPLE FIREARMS***

ILLEGAL ALIEN FROM MEXICO ARRESTED

(Phoenix, AZ) Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio said today that Sheriff's deputies arrested an illegal immigrant over the weekend after they seized approximately a quarter of a million dollars in cash and three firearms in a traffic stop.

The illegal immigrant was taken into custody by Sheriff's deputies and booked into the 4th Avenue Jail. He is from Mexico, and has been identified as 20 year old Adolfo Beltran.

Acting on a neighborhood complaint of a possible "drug house", Sheriff's detectives were surveilling a residence in the block of 7200 W. Montecito in Phoenix. As two vehicles left the home, detectives made contact with the drivers. Inside one of the vehicles, deputies found a large amount of cash. The traffic stops ultimately lead to a search warrant of the Montecito residence.

While the detectives served the search warrant on the residence, more money and firearms were located inside including an AK-47 assault rifle and two handguns.

Sheriff Arpaio says that once again this shows the connection between the international financial side of drugs and illegal immigration.

The investigation is ongoing.

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