

# Coast Guard Interdicts 6 Migrants 7 Miles East of Boca Raton

BOCA RATON,

Fla. – The Coast Guard interdicted six migrants Monday 7 miles east of Boca

Raton, the Coast Guard 7th District said in an Aug. 7 release.

The Coast

Guard Cutter Ibis (WPB-87338) crew arrived on scene and interdicted the six

male Cuban migrants. The crew safely embarked all six migrants aboard the cutter.

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Sector Miami watchstanders received a report from a good Samaritan of a suspicious

15-foot wooden vessel with six people aboard transiting near Boca Raton.

“People

attempting to illegally enter the United States put their lives and their loved

ones at risk.” said Petty Officer 1st Class Paula Verden, Coast Guard Sector

Miami command center. “These unseaworthy crafts do not have navigational or

safety equipment on board, exposing its occupants to a tragic scenario. The

Coast Guard continues to maintain a focused and coordinated efforts with

multiple agency assets to interdict any attempt to immigrate by sea to the

United States, Individuals interdicted at sea attempting to illegally immigrate will be repatriated to their country in accordance with existing U.S. immigration policy.”

The six adult male migrants were transferred to Cuban authorities by Coast Guard Cutter Robert Yered (WPC-1104) for repatriation purposes.

Once aboard a Coast Guard cutter, all migrants receive food, water, shelter and basic medical attention.