## Middle Eastern Men Arrested Near Border with Steel Cylinders

From <u>story</u> that includes an official statement from the Border Patrol. Special Agent Kurt Remus in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Phoenix headquarters told JW that the agency's Joint Terrorism Task Forces vetted and interviewed the six men and determined that there were "no obvious signs of terrorism" so they were returned to Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) custody.

However, Special Agent Remus told JW that there is no record of this week's incident in Amado and that he knew nothing about it. JW also put in a call to DHS headquarters, but received no response. In the last year JW has broken a number of stories involving serious terrorist threats on the southern border that were disputed on the record by various Obama administration officials. Among these is an April report on an Islamic State of Iraq and Greater Syria (ISIS) plot orchestrated from Ciudad Juárez to attack the U.S. with car bombs or other vehicle borne improvised explosive devices (VBIED). As a result of JW's reporting Ft. Bliss, the U.S. Army base in El Paso, increased security. The threat was imminent enough to place agents across a number of Homeland Security, Justice and Defense agencies on alert. A few weeks later JW reported that