

FNC's *The Faulkner Focus*

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: DHS Won't Investigate Mounted Border Agents]

HARRIS FAULKNER: We have more breaking news with regard to what's happening with the Homeland Security Secretary Mayorkas. So, while he is on the Hill, the DHS inspector general has just declined to investigate those mounted border agents accused of whipping migrants. Now, remember, that wasn't true. And we know it wasn't true. And the pictures, those optics of the Biden administration were negative for them. And Mayorkas said, oh, he was going to go after them and in fact, to quote him, he'd have an investigation and outcome within days. Well, now, we've just learned that they are passing the ball around from agency to agency to department to department. The DHS secretary's inspector general declining to investigate, saying that, after two months after that incident, it will move on now to the Office of Professional Responsibility. And so on and so on. We'll follow the bouncing ball, but the bottom line was Mayorkas had just been on the ground at the border and had seen the way that they do their jobs and being mounted on horses when you have people they can pull you down and you're in water. Look, we've been through the details here in Focus. They're doing their jobs in a methodical way. They are not carrying whips. That was that narrative was never true, and Mayorkas saw them doing their jobs a few days before all of the backlash from the pictures, and he never said these words. I was there, I saw it. If there was a problem with it, I would have dealt with it then. Instead, he capitulated to the loud narrative of go after the border agents. Well, apparently, that narrative is getting a little quieter month by month because that investigation declined by the DHS and it moves to another agency, what happens after that? We will let you know.

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FNC's *Special Report With Bret Baier*

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Border Horse Patrol; Homeland Security Inspector General Declines Probe]

BILL MELUGIN: And, Bret, earlier today, DHS sort of gave an update on their investigation into horseback Border Patrol agents who were falsely accused of whipping Haitian migrants in Del Rio during that situation under the bridge a couple of months ago. DHS announcing today that the DHS inspector general declined to investigate those accusations. It was instead given to DHS's OPR. That is the Office of Professional Responsibility and their updated is it's still under investigation. Keep in mind, back in when this happened in September, DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas told the public this investigation would be completed in days, not weeks. Those were

his exact words. That was two months ago and it's still not done yet.

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CNBC's *The News With Shepard Smith*

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: CBP Office of Professional Responsibility to Investigate]

SHEPARD SMITH: Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas promised a swift investigation into these images almost two months ago. Border Patrol agents on horseback aggressively chasing and corralling Haitian migrants near Del Rio, Texas. On September 22nd, Mayorkas told Congress the investigation would be completed within days, not weeks. That was September 22nd. Today, Homeland Security officials gave the update saying the inspector general has decided not to investigate, so no new time table when the investigation will be completed. Instead, the Customs and Border Protection's Office of Professional Responsibility will handle the probe. That office is charged with investigating alleged misconduct by CBP employees. Officials say the office immediately started investigative work, including reviewing videos and photographs and interviewing witnesses, employees, and border protection leadership