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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Immigration Crackdown Expands]

DAVID MUIR: There are also breaking developments involving President Trump's immigration crackdown unfolding in two parts of the country tonight. Federal agents now in New Orleans and agents moving into Minnesota at this hour, reportedly targeting Somali immigrants. The raids there come amid a major fraud investigation involving members of the Somali community. Here is Mary Bruce.

[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Breaking News; Immigration Crackdown Expands; Federal Agents Sweep into New Orleans and Minneapolis]

MARY BRUCE: Tonight, the Trump administration expanding its deportation efforts. Federal agents now hitting the streets of New Orleans and in Minnesota ICE targeting the Somali community as the President doubles down on his attacks.

PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP: That beautiful land, that beautiful state. It's a hell hole right now. And the Somalians should be out of here. They've destroyed our country and all they do is complain, complain, complain.

BRUCE: The President calling Somali immigrants "garbage."

TRUMP: We're going to go the wrong way if we keep taking in garbage into our country.

BRUCE: It comes as House Republicans launch an investigation into widespread Covid-era fraud involving some members of Minnesota's large Somali community. *The New York Times* reports 59 people have been convicted in schemes involving more than \$1 billion in stolen taxpayer money that was supposed to go to children and other social services. President Trump seizing on this story as he widens his immigration crackdown. But Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey defending the Somali community.

MAYOR JACOB FREY (D): He's wrong and we want them here. Somali people have been an extraordinary benefit.

BRUCE: And again, David, tonight we are told that ICE operations are now underway in Minnesota. Sources describe this as a targeted enforcement operation going after immigrants with final deportation orders.

MUIR: Mary Bruce with us tonight as well. Thanks, Mary.