

Puerto Rico proposes transporting 3,200 inmates to prisons on U.S. mainland



San Juan, August 13 (RHC)-- Puerto Rico is planning to transport 3,200 prisoners to private prisons on the U.S. mainland, thousands of miles away from their families on the island. The proposal is part of a slew of austerity measures being pushed by Puerto Rico's unelected fiscal control board in the wake of Hurricane Maria.

Officials say the plan will save Puerto Rico \$400 million over four years. But prisoners are opposed to the plan, saying it will make it next to impossible for them to receive visits from their family members.

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