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**ABC NEWS LIVE PRESENTS PRIMETIME STREAMING SPECIAL
'HOPE & DESPERATION: EMERGENCY AT THE BORDER'**

Anchored by ABC News' John Quiñones, Special Features First U.S. Interview With Guatemalan President Alejandro Giammattei

ABC News Live Special Streams Thursday, April 8, at 8:00 p.m. EDT/5:00 p.m. PDT



*ABC News Correspondent John Quiñones (seated left) and Guatemalan President Alejandro Giammattei (seated right)
Credit: ABC News**

ABC News Live will present primetime streaming news special **“Hope & Desperation: Emergency at the Border”** on **Thursday, April 8, at 8:00 p.m. EDT/5:00 p.m. PDT**. Anchored by ABC News correspondent **John Quiñones** from Dallas, the special will feature the first U.S. interview with Guatemalan President **Alejandro Giammattei** and reporting from ABC News anchors and correspondents **Juju Chang, Cecilia Vega, Martha Raddatz, Marcus Moore, Matt Gutman** and **Terry Moran** who, for the past month, have covered all aspects of this border story.

“Hope & Desperation: Emergency at the Border” will offer an unflinching and comprehensive look at the border crisis as it presently unfolds, from the humanitarian crisis and visuals inside the facilities’ housing migrants to the stories of unaccompanied minors and the asylum seekers leaving Guatemala. The special will spotlight what the brutal, perilous journey to the border looks like; the reasons people go on it; and what life looks like for a mother who made it across from Matamoros pregnant and is now living in Cincinnati, Ohio, with the toddler who is a U.S. citizen—the family is still in the asylum process. The ABC News Live special will also look at the efforts to reunite families; Customs and Border Protection officers in Arizona and Texas share how they patrol the border; and experts, lawmakers and political figures will add context and commentary.

About ABC News Live

ABC News Live is ABC News’ 24/7 streaming news channel that presents coverage of live events, breaking news, in-depth reporting, context and analysis from around the world. It features original programs such as evening newscast “ABC News Live Prime” with Linsey Davis, “ABC News Live Update” with Diane Macedo and “The Breakdown” with Macedo and Terry Moran. It has streamed

a robust slate of original news and entertainment specials and original documentaries, including “Guardians of the Amazon” and “Homegrown Hate.”

ABC News Live is available to more than 370 million streamers with its distribution on Hulu, The Roku Channel, YouTube TV, Samsung TV Plus, Amazon’s news app on Fire tablets and Fire TV devices, Xumo, Sling TV, fuboTV, Haystack News, Facebook, Twitter, ABCNews.com, the ABC News and ABC mobile apps, and standalone ABC News Live apps on Amazon Fire TV, Android TV, Roku and Apple TV.

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