



U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers look on after executing search warrants and making arrests Aug. 7, 2019, at an agricultural processing facility in Canton, Mississippi. The state's Catholic bishops joined with Episcopal, Methodist and Lutheran bishops in condemning the Trump administration's ICE raid on seven food processing plants in the state to round up workers in the country illegally. (CNS photo/Immigration and Customs Enforcement handout via Reuters)



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