Coast Guard Interdicts 6 Migrants 7 Miles East of Boca Raton

BOCA RATON,
Fla. – The Coast Guard interdicted six migrants Monday 7 miles east of Boca
Raton, the Coast Guard 7th District said in an Aug. 7 release.

The Coast
Guard Cutter Ibis (WPB-87338) crew arrived on scene and interdicted the six
male Cuban migrants. The crew safely embarked all six migrants aboard the
cutter.

Coast Guard
Sector Miami watchstanders received a report from a good Samaritan of a suspicious
15-foot wooden vessel with six people aboard transiting near Boca Raton.

“People
attempting to illegally enter the United States put their lives and their loved
ones at risk.” said Petty Officer 1st Class Paula Verden, Coast Guard Sector
Miami command center. “These unseaworthy crafts do not have navigational or
safety equipment on board, exposing its occupants to a tragic scenario. The
Coast Guard continues to maintain a focused and coordinated efforts with
multiple agency assets to interdict any attempt to immigrate by sea to the

United States, Individuals interdicted at sea attempting to illegally immigrate
will be repatriated to their country in accordance with existing U.S.
immigration policy.”

The six adult
male migrants were transferred to Cuban authorities by Coast Guard Cutter
Robert Yered (WPC-1104) for repatriation purposes.

Once aboard a
Coast Guard cutter, all migrants receive food, water, shelter and basic medical
attention.