

Feds nab seventh person on CBSA 'most wanted' list in Vancouver

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OTTAWA — Canadian border officials have nabbed a seventh person on its most wanted list for criminality.

Satpal Singh Jhatu was apprehended earlier this week in Vancouver thanks to tips from the public.

He's considered inadmissible to the country due to convictions for second degree murder and aggravated assault.

The 43-year-old man of Indian origin remains in the custody of the RCMP.

"I want to commend the efforts of Canada Border Services Agency and the public, whose tips led to the apprehension of this individual," Kerry-Lynne Findlay, parliamentary secretary to Justice Minister Rob Nicholson said Friday.

"The co-operation we receive from Canadians signals our collective commitment that Canada will not be home to those who try to enter or live here illegally, or who commit criminal acts and pose a threat to our citizens."

"With this arrest, the government of Canada continues to send a very clear message — that those who have serious criminal backgrounds and who enter this country under false pretences will be found and prosecuted," she added.

Jhatu was among 32 individuals listed in August on the CBSA's website as part of an initiative to find and deport those who have failed to comply with the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and have criminal convictions in Canada.

According to the website, three of the seven people currently apprehended as part of the campaign have been deported.

The CBSA has also created a most wanted list for war criminals. Of the 28 people listed, six have been apprehended and have been removed.

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