

CIA using drones to surveil drug cartels, labs in Mexico

Feb. 18 (UPI) — The CIA is deploying unmanned drones over Mexico to search for fentanyl labs run by drug cartels after the Trump administration declared cartels are terrorist organizations.

The CIA has been using MQ-9 Reaper drones as part of the Trump administration's use of national security tools at the southern border with Mexico amid a fentanyl crisis, CNN, the Daily Mail and DNYUZ reported.

The drones are unarmed but could be armed as needed to conduct precision strikes on fentanyl labs and cartel activities if needed, CNN reported.

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