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TWO FEDERAL INMATES PLEAD GUILTY TO ASSAULT CHARGES

Both defendants housed at the U.S. Penitentiary in Pollock, LA

Shreveport, Louisiana . . . United States Attorney Donald W. Washington announced that BILLY VILLAREAL, age 27, and ISAAC RODRIGUEZ, age 35, both inmates housed at the U.S. Penitentiary in Pollock, Louisiana, each pleaded guilty to assault charges in U.S. District Court in Alexandria today.

An indictment was filed in March 2007 charging VILLAREAL and RODRIGUEZ, along with three other inmates, with assaulting another inmate at the prison, which resulted in serious bodily injury to the inmate.

VILLAREAL and RODRIGUEZ each face an additional sentence of up to 10 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, or both. Sentencing has been scheduled for June 11, 2008 at 10:30 a.m.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Alexandria Resident Agency, and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Earl M. Campbell.

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