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Canadian Woman Sentenced on Immigration Charges

Bangor, Maine: United States Attorney Paula D. Silsby announced that **Sylvie Deschenes**, 41, of Canada, was sentenced on March 21, 2008, in U.S. District Court in Bangor, Maine, to 56 days imprisonment, 1 year supervised release, and a Special Assessment of \$100, for Attempted Illegal Re-entry Into the United States After Having Been Denied Entry and Ordered Removed from the United States in the Past. Deschenes pleaded guilty on February 7, 2008.

Court records reveal that in January 2008, Deschenes illegally attempted to enter the United States through the remote St. Juste, Quebec-Daaquam, Maine port of entry, located along the American Realty Road in the Southwest corner of Aroostook County. Because Deschenes had been refused entry into the United States twice previously and ordered removed once and had not applied for permission from the Department of Homeland Security or the Attorney General to re-enter the United States, she was barred from entering the United States.

United States Attorney Silsby praised the investigation conducted by United States Department of Customs and Border Protection.