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Mexican Citizen Sentenced for Re-Entry Into the U.S. After Deportation

Bangor, Maine: United States Attorney Paula D. Silsby announced that **Mario Sanchez-Rodriguez**, 23, of Mexico, was sentenced on March 3, 2009, in U.S. District Court in Bangor, Maine, to 4 months of imprisonment and 1 year supervised release for the federal crime of re-entry into the U.S. after having been deported. It is anticipated that Sanchez-Rodriguez will be deported. Sanchez-Rodriguez pleaded guilty on December 15, 2008.

Court records reveal that in November 2008, Sanchez-Rodriguez was arrested by the Washington County Sheriff's Office for domestic violence assault. During the investigation of that assault, the deputy sheriff learned that Sanchez-Rodriguez had been deported from the U.S. through Hidalgo, Texas, in October 2007. Sanchez-Rodriguez had never been given permission by the Attorney General or the Department of Homeland Security allowing him to re-enter the U.S.

United States Attorney Silsby praised the investigation conducted by the Department of Homeland Security Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Washington County Sheriff's Department.

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