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## **NOGALES MAN SENTENCED TO OVER 5 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ASSAULTING A FEDERAL OFFICER**

TUCSON, Ariz. – Victor Samuel Brito, 26, of Nogales, Ariz., was sentenced here yesterday by U.S. District Judge David Bury to 68 months in prison for assault on a federal officer. Brito was also ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

Brito was arrested in Nogales on January 13, 2007 by U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers on an outstanding warrant for a traffic violation. While being escorted to the restroom at the DiConcini Port of Entry in Nogales, Brito tried to flee into Mexico. In the process he punched a female Customs official. During the ensuing struggle, the Customs official suffered a severe shoulder injury that may require surgery.

The investigation in this case was conducted by U.S. Customs and Border Protection. The prosecution was handled by Jesse Figueroa, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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