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## **CASA BLANCA MAN SENTENCED TO OVER 6 YEARS IN PRISON FOR ROBBERY**

PHOENIX – George Renteria, 19, of Casa Blanca, Ariz. was sentenced to 75 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Mary H. Murguia. Renteria pleaded guilty on January 3, 2008 to robbery after trying to steal a car on the Gila River Indian Reservation with co-defendant Traci Jackson. In the same incident, Jackson, 41, of the Gila River Indian Reservation, pleaded guilty to aggravated assault and was sentenced on May 19, 2008, to 42 months in prison.

After meeting the victim at a bar, Jackson and her friends claimed that they could not find their vehicle in the parking lot so the victim offered the women a ride home. When the victim dropped off Jackson, Renteria came out of the home. Together Renteria and Jackson tried to steal the victim's vehicle. They assaulted the victim by beating him with a baseball bat. After the beating, Jackson made him get into the vehicle and drove him into the desert where the car stalled. Jackson then left the vehicle and the victim eventually found help. The victim suffered serious injuries from the beating including multiple lacerations to his scalp, a skull fracture and a subdural hematoma.

Renteria was sentenced on August 27, 2008. The investigation in this case was conducted by the Gila River Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution was handled by Sharon Sexton, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Ariz.

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