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FEDERAL INMATE RECEIVES 15 ADDITIONAL MONTHS FOR POSSESSING WEAPON IN PRISON

PHOENIX – Santiago Armando Felix, 26, an inmate at the Federal Correctional Institution in Phoenix (FCI Phoenix), was sentenced yesterday by U.S. District Judge Mary H. Murguia to 15 months in prison. Felix pleaded guilty on August 19, 2008 to Possessing Contraband in Prison.

On June 4, 2008, Felix possessed an 8-inch knife or "shank" made of sharpened diamond-plate steel at FCI Phoenix and had it readily accessible in the waistband of his shorts. At the time, Felix was serving a 33-month sentence for Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute Marijuana. Judge Murguia ordered Felix's new sentence to run consecutively to the prison sentence remaining on the marijuana charge.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Prisons and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution was handled by Alison S. Bachus, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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