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Federal Arrest Warrants Served

New Braunfels, Texas — On June 10, 2009, as part of an ongoing criminal investigation, law enforcement officers executed multiple Federal arrest warrants issued by the United States District Court, Western District of Texas, at several locations in Comal and Guadalupe Counties. Participating agencies included the Texas Department of Public Safety Narcotics Service, New Braunfels Police Department, Guadalupe County Sheriff's Department, San Antonio Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

During the execution of these warrants Officers arrested Jose Chavez III, 32 years of age, of New Braunfels, Texas, for various drug and money laundering conspiracy violations, Andres C. Ortiz, 29 years of age, of Marion, Texas, for various drug and money laundering conspiracy violations, and Gudelio Martinez, Jr., 22 years of age, of New Braunfels, Texas, for various drug and money laundering conspiracy violations. Also arrested in connection with the ongoing conspiracy investigation was Fermin Martinez Ybarra, 39 years of age, of New Braunfels. Ybarra was served with the Federal arrest warrants on this same day while

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incarcerated at the Bexar County Sheriff's Department Detention Center, San Antonio, Texas.

The sentence for the charges ranges from 10 years to life imprisonment and a maximum fine of up to \$4 million dollars. All three appeared before the Federal Magistrate in the Western District of Texas for initial appearance and Ortiz was released on bond while Chavez III and Martinez remain held without bond. Ybarra is pending release to the United States Marshals Service for appearance before a United States Magistrate.

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