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MAN RECEIVES 33 MONTH PRISON SENTENCE FOR ASSAULT ON FEDERAL AGENT

TUCSON, Ariz. – Jesus Enrique Cruz-Jiminez, 41, of Banamichi, Sonora, Mexico, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Marvin E. Aspen to 33 months in prison. Cruz-Jiminez pleaded guilty on September 5, 2008 to Assault on a Federal Officer.

On March 27, 2008 U.S. Border Patrol agents observed Cruz-Jiminez attempt to board a northbound moving train near Rio Rico, Ariz. He was unable to get on the train and the agents ordered Cruz-Jiminez to stop. Instead, he ran and attempted to hide. When agents approached Cruz-Jiminez, he fought with them, threw punches and struck one agent's nose with his elbow, causing a bloody nose. As Cruz-Jiminez resisted arrest, he injured the other agent's face.

Upon completion of the prison sentence, Cruz-Jiminez will be on supervised release for 36 months. As a condition of his supervised release, he was ordered not to return to the United States without lawful authority.

The investigation in this case was conducted by U.S. Border Patrol. The prosecution was handled by Sandra M. Hansen, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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