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KAYENTA MAN SENTENCED TO OVER 3 YEARS IN PRISON FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

PHOENIX – Leander Earl Yellow, 23, of Kayenta, Ariz., was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Mary H. Murguia to 41 months in federal prison. The sentence also includes substance abuse treatment and anger management counseling and will be followed by close supervision under strict terms for three years after Yellow is released from prison. Yellow pleaded guilty on November 25, 2008 to assault with a dangerous weapon.

In March 2008, Yellow assaulted a member of a rival gang in Kayenta on the Navajo Nation by stabbing him in the back after a confrontation. In sentencing Yellow, the Court observed that this offense followed a long history of gang activity and substance abuse.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Kayenta Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Flagstaff, Ariz. The prosecution was handled by Roger Dokken, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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