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MEXICAN CITIZEN FOUND GUILTY OF ILLEGAL REENTRY AFTER DEPORTATION

PHOENIX – Adolfo Sandoval-Galvez, 52, of Sinaloa, Mexico, was found guilty by a federal jury yesterday of Illegal Reentry After Deportation. The case was tried before U.S. District Judge Susan R. Bolton on September 1 -2, 2009. Sandoval-Galvez remains in federal custody pending sentencing which is set before Judge Bolton on November 30, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.

The evidence at trial showed that Sandoval-Galvez was deported to Mexico through San Ysidro, California on March 5, 2009, in addition to at least eight other prior deportations. Sandoval-Galvez reentered the United States in April 2009, a little over one month after his most recent deportation. He was found near the border in Yuma, Arizona by United States Border Patrol Agents patrolling the area. The Government was able to secure its verdict by demonstrating that Sandoval-Galvez had voluntarily entered the United States and knowingly remained in the United States without first obtaining express permission from the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to reenter.

A conviction for Reentry after Deportation carries a maximum penalty of 20 years, a \$250,000 fine or both. In determining an actual sentence, Judge Bolton will consult the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, which provide appropriate sentencing ranges. The judge, however, is not bound by those guidelines in determining a sentence.

The investigation leading to the guilty verdict was conducted by U.S. Border Patrol and Immigration Customs Enforcement. The prosecution was handled by James R. Knapp and Leta Hollon, Assistant U.S. Attorneys, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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