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MEXICAN NATIONAL SENTENCED TO 42 MONTHS FOR ILLEGAL REENTRY

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that LORENZO MARTINEZ-VELASCO, 25, Mexico, was sentenced to 42 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge Sarah E. Barker following his guilty plea to reentering the United States after having been previously convicted of a felony and then deported. This case was the result of a investigation by the Marion County Sheriff's Department and the Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

MARTINEZ-VELASCO was previously deported in August 1999 after he had been convicted of assault with intent to commit rape in Fresno, California. He admitted having reentered the United States illegally in July, 2003. He was discovered when he caused a

disturbance at a retail store in May, 2005. Law enforcement took further steps to identify him and learned that he had previously been convicted of the felony assault charge.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the case for the government, MARTINEZ-VELASCO will be deported following his release from imprisonment.

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