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New Jersey Man Sentenced to 30 Months in Prison  
for False Bomb Threats Directed at Hoboken PATH Station

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NEWARK – A New Jersey man was sentenced to 30 months in federal prison today on a false bomb-threats charge, U.S. Attorney Christopher J. Christie announced.

U.S. District Judge William H. Walls also ordered Miguel Reyes to serve three years of supervised release upon the completion of his prison sentence.

On April 30, 2007, Reyes, 33, formerly of Newark and Hoboken, pleaded guilty before Judge Walls to an Information charging him with making three making three false bomb threats concerning the Hoboken PATH Station. Reyes has been in custody since he was charged federally in December.

During the plea hearing, Reyes admitted that on or about Oct. 18, 2006, Oct. 20, 2006, and Nov. 2, 2006, he placed telephone calls to 911. Reyes further admitted that on each of these occasions he stated either that there was going to be an explosion in the Hoboken PATH Station or that a bomb was going to explode in the Hoboken PATH Station. Reyes further admitted that he knew this information was false when he reported the bomb threats.

The false threat charge to which Reyes pleaded guilty carries a statutory maximum prison sentence of five years. However, in determining the actual sentence, Judge Walls consulted the advisory U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, which provide appropriate sentencing ranges that take into account the severity and characteristics of the offense, a defendant's criminal history, if any, and other factors. The judge was not bound by those guidelines in determining the sentence.

Parole has been abolished in the federal system and thus defendants who are given custodial terms must serve nearly all the time imposed by the Court.

Christie credited Special Agents of the FBI in Newark and the Joint Terrorism Task Force in New Jersey, under the direction of Acting Special Agent in Charge Weysan Dun, for their work in the investigation leading to the charges against Reyes.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Andrew Kogan of the U.S. Attorney's Office Terrorism Unit in Newark.

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Defense Counsel: Assistant Federal Public Defender Lorraine Gauli-Rufo, Esq.