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**MEXICAN NATIONAL RECEIVES 135-MONTH PRISON
SENTENCE FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING CONVICTION**

ALBUQUERQUE – Today in federal court in Albuquerque, a United States District Judge sentenced **Javier Aispuro**, 31, to a 135-month term of imprisonment for his conviction for conspiracy to violate the federal narcotics laws. Aispuro also is required to forfeit \$82,517.52 in cash seized from the vehicle he was driving when he was arrested as well as numerous firearms seized during the investigation of the case. Aispuro, a Mexican National who has been in federal custody since his arrest in December 2008, will be deported after he completes his prison sentence.

United States Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales said that Aispuro was one of eight defendants charged in an indictment filed on December 16, 2008 that charged the defendants with conspiring to violate the federal narcotics laws by distributing methamphetamine in New Mexico between June 2008 and December 2008. Aispuro entered a guilty plea to the indictment on January 21, 2011 under a plea agreement with the United States Attorney's Office.

In his plea agreement, Aispuro admitted that, between June 2008 and December 2008, he was involved in a methamphetamine trafficking conspiracy operating in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Aispuro further admitted that he and his co-conspirators were responsible for delivering multiple kilograms of methamphetamine, and that they had numerous distributors working on consignment. To facilitate the conspiracy's unlawful activities, in June 2008, Aispuro opened a car audio equipment and detailing shop with a co-conspirator and utilized the shop to conduct methamphetamine transactions. Aispuro also admitted that, during the time of the conspiracy, he received no income other than from distributing methamphetamine.

Aispuro's co-defendant **Brian Disher**, 42, of Albuquerque, entered a guilty plea to the indictment on January 12, 2011, and was sentenced to 57 months' imprisonment to be followed by three years supervised release on March 25, 2011. Co-defendant **Felipe Diaz**, 23, of Albuquerque, entered a guilty plea to the indictment January 18, 2011, and was sentenced to 37-months' imprisonment to be followed by three years supervised release on May 12, 2011. Disher and Diaz are serving their prison sentences.

Co-defendant **Edgar Zamoran-Aispuro**, a Mexican national, entered his guilty plea to the indictment on January 10, 2011, and will be sentenced to a 97-month term of imprisonment under the terms of his plea agreement. Zamoran-Aispuro will be deported after he completes his prison sentence.

Proceedings continue against the remaining co-defendants.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Middle Rio Grande Valley Task Force, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joel R. Meyers.

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