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**NAVAJO MAN RECEIVES 24 MONTH PRISON SENTENCE FOR  
FAILING TO UPDATE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION**

ALBUQUERQUE – This morning in federal court in Santa Fe, **Harold Jim**, 34 of Thoreau, New Mexico, was sentenced to a 24-month term of imprisonment for failing to update his sex offender registration. After completing his prison sentence, Jim will be on supervised release for five years. Jim, an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation, has been in federal custody since his arrest on June 28, 2010.

Jim was indicted on July 27, 2010, and charged with a violation of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA). United States Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales said that SORNA, also known as the Adam Walsh Protection and Safety Act, requires that a convicted sex offender register in each jurisdiction where the offender resides, where the offender is employed, or where the offender is a student, and that the sex offender maintain current registrations.

According to court records, Jim was required to register as a sex offender because he pled guilty to aggravated sexual abuse of a child (crime on an Indian reservation) in September 2006 and was sentenced to serve 1171 days of imprisonment. As a lifetime registrant, Jim was required to update his registration every 90-days. In his plea agreement, Jim admitted that he failed to maintain his registration as required by SORNA.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Presiliano Torrez, and was investigated by the United States Marshal's Service.

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