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MEXICAN CITIZEN FOUND IN BOONE COUNTY SENTENCED TO 26 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ILLEGALLY RE-ENTERING THE UNITED STATES

ROCKFORD -- PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, and GARY J. HARTWIG, Special Agent in Charge of the Chicago Office of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security - U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, today made the following announcement:

United States District Judge Frederick J. Kapala today sentenced **SALVADOR VASQUEZ-AVILA** (a/k/a “Enrique Vasquez”, “Pedro Avila”, “Jesus Legarreta”, “Juan Reyes”, “Joaquin Trujillo”, and/or “Juan Trujillo-Aguero”), 37, who is a citizen of Mexico, to 26 months in prison for illegally re-entering the United States following his previous deportation to Mexico. On January 8, 2010, Vasquez-Avila pleaded guilty and admitted that he had illegally re-entered the United States. As he admitted in the plea agreement, Vasquez-Avila had previously been deported from the United States on April 5, 2000, following a conviction for child abduction.

In addition to the 26 months prison sentence, the court ordered Vasquez-Avila to surrender to immigration authorities following his release from prison.

The case was investigated by the Chicago office of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, a part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and was assisted by the Boone County Sheriff’s Department. The case was prosecuted in federal court by Assistant United States Attorney **BRENDAN A. MAHER**.

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