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**MAN CONVICTED OF AN AGGRAVATED FELONY SENTENCED TO 70 MONTHS
IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ILLEGALLY RE-ENTERING THE UNITED STATES**

ROCKFORD — A Mexican citizen who had been arrested in Dixon, Ill., was sentenced today in Federal Court for illegally re-entering the United States after having been deported. The defendant, **Manuel Alvarez-Ochoa**, 23, was sentenced today to 70 months in federal prison, without parole, during a hearing conducted by U.S. District Judge Frederick J. Kapala. Alvarez-Ochoa pled guilty to the charges on Aug. 14, 2012, admitting that he illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously deported from the United States to his native Mexico on May 2, 2008, as an aggravated felon, without having previously obtained the consent of the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security for reapplication and admission into the United States.

The sentencing was announced by Gary S. Shapiro, Acting United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, and Ricardo A. Wong, Director - Chicago Field Office for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement - Enforcement and Removal Operations.

The government was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney John G. McKenzie.

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