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WEEK IN REVIEW – SOUTH BEND

South Bend, Indiana -- The United States Attorney's Office announced today that:

PLEAS:

- Ramon Garcia, 39, of Berrien Springs, Michigan, pled guilty before Judge Robert Miller, Jr. to the felony offense of conspiracy to harbor illegal aliens and mail fraud. These charges were filed as the result of an investigation by U.S. Immigration and Custom Office of Homeland Security Investigations and United States Postal Inspection Service. Sentencing has been set for 3/16/12. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Kenneth Hays.

The specific sentence in each case to be imposed upon conviction will be determined by the judge after a consideration of federal sentencing statutes and the Federal Sentencing Guidelines.

DISPOSITIONS:

- Raul Rosas-Bernal, 46, was sentenced by Judge Robert Miller, Jr. to 21 months imprisonment after pleading guilty to the felony offense of re-entry of a deported alien. This case was the result of an investigation by the U.S. Immigration and Custom Office of Homeland Security Investigations. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Frank Schaffer.
- Stephen M. Johnson, 28, of Elkhart, Indiana, was sentenced by Judge Robert Miller, Jr. to 27 months imprisonment and 2 years of supervised release after pleading guilty to the felony offense of possession of a firearm after a domestic violence conviction. This case was the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Donald Schmid.