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Prosecutions continue in illegal entry cases involving those with prior criminal records

In the District of Minnesota, separate indictments have been filed against two foreign nationals who entered the United States illegally after being deported as criminals. Earlier today in Minneapolis, two individuals were each charged with one count of illegal re-entry after deportation.

Juan Dominguez-Soriano, age 35, of Little Canada, was charged in the first case. His indictment alleges that on February 6, 2011, he was found in the U.S. illegally after having been previously deported to Mexico. Dominguez-Soriano's deportation followed a 1994 Ramsey County conviction for second-degree criminal sexual conduct. The current federal indictment resulted from an arrest for failure to provide a driver's license and proof of insurance. He was in the Ramsey County jail when he was identified as an illegal alien through the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Criminal Alien Program ("CAP"). The goal of that program is to locate criminal aliens incarcerated in federal and state prisons, as well as in local jails, and prevent them from being released into the general population.

If convicted, Dominguez-Soriano faces a potential maximum penalty of 20 years in prison. All sentences will be determined by a federal district court judge. This case is the result of an investigation by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Enforcement and Removal Operations ("ICE ERO") and the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office. It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura M. Provinzino.

The second indictment charges Anselmo Mendez-Madrid, age 36, of Worthington. His indictment alleges that on December 11, 2010, he was found in the U.S. illegally after having been previously deported to El Salvador. Mendez-Madrid's deportation followed a 1997 California conviction for attempted murder. The current federal indictment resulted from an

arrest for third-degree riot, unlawful assembly, and disorderly conduct. He also was identified through the CAP.

If convicted, Mendez-Madrid faces a potential maximum penalty of 20 years. All sentences will be determined by a federal district court judge. This case is the result of an investigation by ICE ERO and the Worthington Police Department. It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kimberly A. Svendsen.

The two defendants will remain in custody until their current federal cases are resolved and will be deported after serving their sentences, if convicted. To learn more about the CAP, visit www.ice.gov/criminal-alien-program/

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An indictment is a determination by a grand jury that there is probable cause to believe that offenses have been committed by a defendant. A defendant, of course, is presumed innocent until he or she pleads guilty or is proven guilty at trial.