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Man and Woman Charged with Felony Child Abuse

Tyler Sando, 20, and Kayla Gachupin, 23, both enrolled members of the Jemez Tribe, appeared in federal court on May 5, 2010, and pleaded not guilty to an indictment charging them with Child Abuse. The possible penalty if convicted is three years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and a three year term of supervised release. The charges relate to an incident that occurred in Jemez, New Mexico, within the boundaries of the Jemez Pueblo Reservation. Trial is pending.

The indictment is merely an accusation and the defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty.

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