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PRESS RELEASE

Albany, New York —United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian announced that JUAN CARLOS FUENTES-ARIAS, age 36, of Honduras, was sentenced on January 20, 2011 by the Honorable Lawrence E. Kahn in Federal District Court in Albany on his guilty plea to count one of an Indictment charging him with the felony offense of re-entry by a previously removed alien. FUENTES-ARIAS was sentenced to forty-six months of imprisonment and supervised release for a term of three years.

FUENTES-ARIAS pled guilty on September 30, 2010. In connection with his plea, FUENTES-ARIAS admitted the following in a written plea agreement and during his plea proceeding:

On July 5, 2010 JUAN CARLOS FUENTES-ARIAS was encountered in the United States, near Rouses Point, New York, by a United States Border Patrol Agent. At the time of the encounter, JUAN CARLOS FUENTES-ARIAS was in a box car of a freight train. JUAN CARLOS FUENTES-ARIAS is an alien, a citizen and national of Honduras. He is not a citizen or national of the United States. JUAN CARLOS FUENTES-ARIAS was physically removed from the United States to Honduras on April 3, 2008. Sometime after the April 3, 2008 removal of JUAN CARLOS FUENTES-ARIAS, he knowingly and intentionally entered the United States. JUAN CARLOS FUENTES-ARIAS did not receive the express permission of the United States Attorney General or his successor, the Secretary of Homeland Security, to return to the United States following the April 3, 2008 removal.

This case was investigated by the United States Border Patrol.

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