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## PRESS RELEASE

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN announced that JOSE BARRAZA-PAYAN, age 40, of South Glens Falls, New York, pled guilty today to the felony offense of re-entry by a previously removed alien before Senior United States District Court Judge Lawrence E. Kahn, in Albany, New York. Sentencing for BARRAZA-PAYAN is scheduled for July 7, 2011 in Albany, New York. As a result of the conviction BARRAZA-PAYAN faces a maximum sentence of imprisonment of up to 10 years, supervised release of up to 3 years, a fine of up to \$250,000, and a special assessment of \$100.

BARRAZA-PAYAN, a citizen of Mexico, was involuntarily removed from the United States to Mexico on October 9, 2002, December 11, 2007 and June 15, 2010. On January 26, 2011 BARRAZA-PAYAN was encountered by Glens Falls Police during a traffic stop. An Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officer responded to the vehicle stop and determined BARRAZA-PAYAN to be a previously removed illegal alien.

This matter was investigated by the Department of Homeland Security, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement(ICE), Albany, New York and the Glens Falls Police Department.

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