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CRIMINAL ALIEN SENTENCED

Removed Alien Found by ICE Serving New York State Sentence

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN announced that JEUEL FRAYEUREDIS HERNANDEZ-NINA, age 32, formerly of Bridgeport, Connecticut, was sentenced today to imprisonment for a term of forty six months, by United States District Court Judge Mae A. D'Agostino, in Albany, New York, for illegally reentering the United States after removal.

Today's sentencing followed HERNANDEZ-NINA's February 8, 2012 guilty plea. HERNANDEZ-NINA, a citizen of the Dominican Republic, was involuntarily removed from the United States to the Dominican Republic by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) on August 24, 2005. HERNANDEZ-NINA was removed following his federal felony conviction in the District of Connecticut of the offense of possession with intent to distribute and distribution of heroin and cocaine, an aggravated felony. Despite the fact that HERNANDEZ-NINA did not seek or receive permission to return to the United States following the 2005 removal, he was found by ICE officers at the Ulster Correctional Facility (UCF) on June 6, 2011. HERNANDEZ-NINA was at the UCF pursuant to a New York State criminal sentence for a conviction of criminal possession of a controlled substance. HERNANDEZ-NINA was prosecuted in New York City and sentenced to New York State prison under the name Javier Mendoza, which is an alias identity that HERNANDEZ-NINA assumed upon his illegal return to the United States.

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

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