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**PREVIOUSLY DEPORTED MEXICAN NATIONAL RECEIVES 39 MONTH PRISON
SENTENCE FOR UNLAWFUL RE-ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES**

ALBUQUERQUE – This morning in Albuquerque federal court, **Nicolas Olivas-Garcia**, 45, a Mexican national, was sentenced to a 39-month term of imprisonment based on his conviction for re-entry of a removed alien. He will be deported after completing his prison sentence.

U.S. Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales said that Olivas-Garcia was arrested on June 12, 2011, after Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents interviewed him in Dona Ana County and determined that he was a Mexican citizen illegally in the United States. According to court records, Olivas-Garcia previously had been deported from the United States in 1998, subsequent to a conviction of transporting illegal aliens in Las Cruces. Olivas-Garcia has been in federal custody since his arrest.

The case was investigated by Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lynn W.Y. Wang.

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