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KEWA PUEBLO MAN SENTENCED TO 30 MONTHS IN PRISON
FOR FEDERAL CHILD SEX ABUSE CONVICTION

ALBUQUERQUE – This afternoon, Pete Victor Reano, Jr., 47, a member and resident of Kewa Pueblo, was sentenced to 30 months of imprisonment for his abusive sexual contact conviction. Reano will be on supervised release for five years after he completes his prison sentence. He also will be required to register as a sex offender.

U.S. Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales said that on Aug. 23, 2012, Reano pled guilty to sexually assaulting a Kewa Pueblo girl who had not yet attained the age of 12. In entering his guilty plea, Reano admitted unlawfully touching the child by placing his hand on her genitals over her clothing. The sexual assault took place at Reano's Kewa Pueblo residence in spring of 2008. Reano has been in federal custody since his arrest on Nov. 9, 2011.

The case was investigated by the FBI and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Justice Services, Southern Pueblos Agency, with assistance from the Santo Domingo Social Services, and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kyle T. Nayback.

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