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**SANTO DOMINGO (KEWA) MAN SENTENCED TO 18-MONTHS
IMPRISONMENT FOR FEDERAL CHILD SEX ABUSE CONVICTION**

ALBUQUERQUE – United States Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales announced that, on April 19, 2011 in federal court in Albuquerque, **Emery Calabaza**, 52, was sentenced to an 18-month term of imprisonment to be followed by a five-year term of supervised release for his child sex abuse conviction. Calabaza, a member of the Pueblo of Santo Domingo (Kewa), will be required to register as a sex offender when he completes his prison sentence.

Court records reflect that Calabaza was indicted on August 10, 2010, and charged with engaging in a sexual act with a minor who was between the age of twelve and sixteen years old on May 28, 2008 by using his hand or finger to penetrate the genital opening of the child. Calabaza was arrested on August 13, 2010, and was released under pretrial supervision until January 3, 2011, when he entered a guilty plea to the indictment and was remanded into federal custody. In his plea agreement, Calabaza admitted the unlawful conduct alleged in the indictment.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Justice Services, Northern Pueblos Agency, and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Kimberly A. Brawley.

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