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ROSWELL MAN SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS IN PRISON
FOR FEDERAL METHAMPHETAMINE OFFENSES

LAS CRUCES – Today in federal court in Las Cruces, **Jesus Vallejos**, 23, was sentenced to five years in prison for conspiracy to possess of methamphetamine with intent to distribute and distribution of methamphetamine. Vallejos, a resident of Roswell, New Mexico, will serve a four-year term of supervised release after he completes his prison sentence. Vallejos, who was on conditions of release pending sentencing, is required to surrender to FCI Big Springs, Texas as directed by the U.S. Bureau of Prisons.

United States Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales said that these charges resulted from conduct occurring in Chaves County, New Mexico on April 1, 2010. During his plea hearing on February 1, 2011, Vallejos admitted that he had agreed to sell methamphetamine to an individual who, unbeknownst to Vallejos, was cooperating with the government. Vallejos also admitted that he negotiated the price and participated in the sale of 34.2 grams of methamphetamine. According to the criminal complaint filed in the case, the sale took place at Vallejos' residence in Roswell.

This case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Chaves County Metro Narcotics Task Force, and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michael D. Nammar.

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