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Federal Court Sentences Muscatine Man on Illegal Re-entry Charge

DAVENPORT, IA - On August 20, 2014, Jose Rodriguez Paz, age 31, a citizen of Mexico, was sentenced by United States District Court Chief Judge James E. Gritzner to 27 months imprisonment, after pleading guilty to illegal re-entry into the United States, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Rodriguez Paz was also ordered to serve one year of supervised release following imprisonment, and to pay \$100 towards the Crime Victims Fund. After serving his sentence, Rodriguez Paz will be turned over to Immigration authorities for removal proceedings.

Rodriguez Paz was given an enhanced sentence based on a 2011 Iowa aggravated felony conviction for possession with intent to deliver cocaine, and after this State drug conviction was deported. Rodriguez Paz was most recently found in the United States on February 24, 2014, when he was turned over to federal authorities after a Muscatine arrest.

This case was investigated by the United States Department of Homeland Security Investigations, and the case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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