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FORMER PERMANENT RESIDENT CONVICTED OF
ILLEGALLY REENTERING THE UNITED STATES

BUFFALO, N.Y.-- United States Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr., announced today that Ricardo Gill, 45, a former permanent resident of the United States, pleaded guilty to one count of illegally reentering the United States after being deported to his home country of Barbados before United States District Court Judge William M. Skretny in Buffalo. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 20 years imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000.

During the federal court proceedings today, as a jury trial was scheduled to begin in the case, Gill admitted to having illegally returned to the United States after he had been deported to Barbados in 2004. Gill was arrested by Buffalo Police on December 31, 2009, at a residence on Wecker Street in Buffalo. Gill is scheduled to be sentenced by Judge Skretny on May 21, 2012.

The plea is the result of an investigation being handled by Enforcement Officers of the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, under the direction of Field Office Director Michael Phillips.

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