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CALIFORNIA MAN SENTENCED ON IMMIGRATION CHARGE

BUFFALO, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Mario Garibo-Galeana, 42, of California, who was convicted of being an alien found in the United States after a conviction for an aggravated felony, was sentenced to 36 months in prison and three years supervised release by Chief U.S. District Judge William M. Skretny.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Aaron J. Mango, who handled the case, the defendant, a native and citizen of Mexico, was found in the United States on November 23, 2011 at the Buffalo Niagara International Airport. Garibo-Galeana had previously been convicted of a felony charge under California law of possession of a concealed weapon. The defendant was physically removed from the United States after that conviction on November 5, 2010, and then subsequently re-entered the United States illegally.

The sentencing is the culmination of an investigation on the part of Agents from the United States Border Patrol, under the direction of under the direction of Chief Border Patrol Agent Kevin W. Oaks.

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