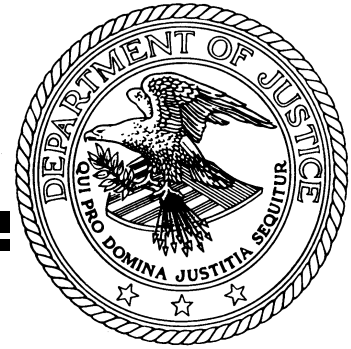


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TWO U.S. CITIZENS ORDERED EXTRADITED TO MEXICO

NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - November 21, 2011

United States Attorney Laura E. Duffy announced that two United States citizens were recently ordered extradited to Mexico to face charges of aggravated homicide in the deaths of two U.S. citizens in Mexico.

In the first case, Victor Ernest Childs, a 52-year-old United States citizen, was ordered extradited to Mexico to face charges of aggravated homicide. According to a written order dated November 14, 2011, by U.S. Magistrate Judge William V. Gallo, Victor Ernest Childs is wanted to stand trial in the Mexican State of Baja California for the alleged killing of Caryn Ann Knowland Childs, also a United States citizen and Childs' wife. The victim's body was found on December 20, 2010, and she is believed to have been killed approximately three weeks prior to that date. According to the facts presented by Mexican authorities in a request for extradition, the decedent was allegedly shot twice in the head by Childs.

According to court records, Victor Ernest Childs was arrested by United States Marshals in San Diego on May 20, 2011, and has been in federal custody without bail pending his extradition to Mexico. He faces a possible sentence of 16 to 30 years imprisonment in Mexico.

In the second case, Cruz Edward Dominguez, a.k.a. "Krooz," a 28-year-old United States citizen, was also ordered extradited to Mexico to face charges of aggravated homicide. According to a written order dated November 8, 2011, by U.S. Magistrate Judge Jan M. Adler, Cruz Dominguez is wanted to stand trial in the Mexican State of Baja California for the alleged killing of Joshua Allen Dietrich, also a United States citizen, on June 9, 2002 in Tijuana. According to the facts presented by Mexican authorities in a request for extradition, the decedent, a 19-year-old U. S. Naval seaman, was allegedly stabbed by Cruz Dominguez during an altercation at a Tijuana night club. Dietrich died at the scene.

According to court records, Cruz Dominguez was arrested by United States Marshals in San Diego on June 23, 2011, and has been in federal custody without bail pending his extradition to Mexico. He faces a possible sentence of 20 to 50 years imprisonment in Mexico.

The proceedings were held pursuant to the Extradition Treaty between the United States and Mexico, which obligates each nation to extradite offenders wanted in the other country. During the court proceedings, Assistant U.S. Attorney Jonathan I. Shapiro (Childs case) and Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael E. Lasater (Dominguez case) represented the Government of Mexico, which provided the requests to extradite through diplomatic channels. The final decision to formally extradite the defendants to Mexico will be made by the Secretary of State.

THE EXTRADITION COMPLAINT AND RULING OF THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE DO NOT CONSTITUTE A CONVICTION FOR THE CRIMES CHARGED AGAINST THE DEFENDANTS IN MEXICO.