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## PREVIOUS AGGRAVATED FELON ILLEGAL ALIEN SENTENCED

Jackson, Miss - Victor Manuel Roman-Torres, 34, of Pearl, was sentenced in U.S. District Court today to serve 46 months in federal prison followed by 2 years of supervised release for Illegal Reentry of an Aggravated Felon Alien, U.S. Attorney Donald R. Burkhalter announced. Roman-Torres pled guilty to the charge on February 11, 2010 before U.S. District Judge Tom Lee.

Roman-Torress was arrested by the Pearl Police Department in December 2009 for driving under the influence. Immigration and Customers Enforcement ("ICE") discovered the defendant while he was in the custody of the Rankin County Detention Center. ICE determined through his fingerprints that he was a citizen and national of Mexico who had been previously convicted in California in 1995 for assault with a deadly weapon. He was subsequently deported back to Mexico and thereafter re-entered the United States without receiving permission.

U.S. Attorney Burkhalter commended the efforts of the Special Agents of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Assistant U.S. Attorney Mike Hurst who prosecuted the case.

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