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Illegal Alien Sentenced to 33 Months in Prison

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Tucson, Ariz. – On Wednesday, Daniel Elias Rangel-Gonzalez was sentenced to 33 months in prison after being apprehended attempting to re-enter the U.S. illegally.

Rangel-Gonzalez was apprehended on July 18, 2010 near Why, Ariz. and was processed at the Ajo Station using the Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System. IAFIS revealed Rangel-Gonzalez was convicted in March 25, 2010 for corporal injury to a spouse or co-habitant in Santa Barbara, Calif. IAFIS also showed that Rangel-Gonzalez had been previously deported. The U.S. Attorneys Office successfully prosecuted Rangel-Gonzalez and the preceding judge in the case sentenced Rangel-Gonzalez to 33 months in jail.

The Border Patrol is an all threats agency committed to implementing measures that best protect public safety and produce the most significant results by focusing on identifying criminal aliens and those who pose the greatest risk to our communities, and prioritizing them for removal.

Tucson Sector Impact and Consequence programs are essential tools in prosecuting criminal aliens and play a vital role in the Tucson Sector's strategy as it creates a deterrence effect.

The Border Patrol continues to use technology, such as IAFIS, to identify criminal aliens, such as Rangel-Gonzalez, who are among those attempting to enter the U.S. illegally. Agents use IAFIS to access criminal records throughout the U.S. and rapidly identify criminal aliens so they can be brought to an appropriate law enforcement resolution.

Since launching the Southwest Border Initiative in March 2009, the Department of Homeland Security has made significant investments toward establishing a secure and safe border environment and improving the quality of life throughout the communities in the state of Arizona.

The Border Patrol welcomes assistance from the community. Report suspicious activity by calling toll free **(1-877) 872-7435**. All calls will be answered and will remain anonymous.

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