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MEXICAN CITIZEN PLEADS GUILTY TO ILLEGALLY RE-ENTERING THE UNITED STATES

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Mexican citizen pleaded guilty in federal court today to illegally re-entering the United States.

Floriberto Martinez-Pacheco, 26, a citizen of Mexico, pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Richard E. Dorr this morning to being found in Greene County, Mo., after having been previously deported from the United States.

By pleading guilty, **Martinez-Pacheco** admitted that he was in Greene County on April 14, 2003.

As a result of his guilty plea, **Martinez-Pacheco** faces up to two years in federal prison without parole and a fine of up to \$250,000. **Martinez-Pacheco's** sentence will be determined according to the United States Sentencing Guidelines. A sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of presentence investigation by the U.S. Probation Office.

This case was investigated by the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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