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THREE MEN INDICTED FOR ILLEGAL RE-ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that three Mexican nationals were indicted by a federal grand jury today on separate and unrelated charges of not having legally been admitted into the United States.

All three men have previously been deported from the country.

Alfonso Silerio-Nunez, 45, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in a one-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury meeting in Jefferson City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Silerio-Nunez** was found on October 17, 2002, in Cooper County, Mo., having not obtained the express consent of the United States Attorney General for re-application for admission into the country.

Marcelo Hernandez-Garcia, 40, address unknown, was charged in a one-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury meeting in Jefferson City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Hernandez-Garcia** also was found on October 17, 2002, in Cooper County, Mo., having not obtained the express consent of the United States Attorney General for re-application for admission into the country.

These two cases are being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Lynn. The cases were investigated by the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Julio Pena-Carrillo, 22, of Kansas City, Kan., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury meeting in Jefferson City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Pena-Carrillo** was found on October 12, 2002, in Cooper County, Mo., having not obtained the express consent of the United States Attorney General for re-application for admission into the country.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney C. Douglas Shull. The case was investigated by the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictments are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

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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