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## **MEXICAN NATIONAL RESIDING IN CAMDENTON SENTENCED FOR ILLEGALLY RE-ENTERING THE UNITED STATES**

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Mexican national residing in Camdenton, Mo., was sentenced in federal court today for illegally re-entering the United States.

**Romaldo Viveros-Ortiz**, 27, of Camdenton, Mo., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Scott O. Wright this morning to five years of probation, conditioned on him not returning to the United States.

On Oct. 10, 2003, **Viveros-Ortiz** pleaded guilty to illegally re-entering the United States. By pleading guilty, **Viveros-Ortiz** admitted that he was found on Sept. 6, 2003, in Camden County, Mo., after having been previously deported from the United States. **Viveros-Ortiz** was deported from the United States on June 24, 2003, at Laredo, Texas.

**Viveros-Ortiz** was originally charged in a criminal complaint filed on Aug. 19, 2003, in Springfield. The criminal complaint was later replaced by an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Oct. 3, 2003, in Springfield

According to his plea agreement, **Viveros-Ortiz** was arrested on Sept. 6, 2003, after law enforcement officers were dispatched to a residence in Camden County, Mo., on a complaint that an area resident was burning trash.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Lynn. It was investigated by the Camden County, Mo., Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

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