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FUGITIVE WANTED FOR RAPE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT OF UNDERAGE GIRL CAPTURED IN MEXICO AND SCHEDULED TO BE ARRAIGNED TODAY

INDIO – A fugitive on the Riverside County District Attorney's Office Wanted Fugitives list has been captured in Mexico and returned to the United States to be prosecuted for the 2008-2009 rape and sexual assault of a minor in Indio.

Carlos Nunez Portillo, DOB: 2-9-67, was arrested on Jan. 30, 2014, in Mexicali by Mexican law enforcement authorities after a tip was received regarding the fugitive's location. Information about the wanted man had been provided to Mexican law enforcement authorities by the United States Marshal's Pacific Regional Fugitive Task Force. The DA's Office has an investigator assigned to that task force.

Nunez Portillo is scheduled to be arraigned on Thursday, Feb. 6, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. in case INF066204 in Dept. 3N at the Larson Justice Center in Indio.

After being captured in Mexico, he was transported to California on Jan. 31, 2014, and booked into a jail in Imperial County. He was then transported and booked into Indio jail on Feb. 4, 2014, where he is being held in lieu of \$100,000 bail.

In July 2009, the victim told Indio police that, over the previous year, she had been sexually assaulted by Nunez Portillo. The victim told police that while she was 14 and 15 years of age, Nunez Portillo had sexual intercourse and oral copulation with her. Nunez Portillo reportedly told the victim that if she did not do what he wanted or if she told anyone, that he would cause her mother to live on the streets.

Nunez Portillo fled while police were investigating the allegations and on July 24, 2009, a Riverside County Superior Court judge issued a \$100,000 arrest warrant for Nunez Portillo.