

## **INS official gets 3 years probation**

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The former head of the INS anti-corruption unit at the San Ysidro border crossing was sentenced to three years probation yesterday for lying to an FBI agent investigating a smuggling ring.

Daphiney Caganap, 43, a former South Bay resident now living in Michigan, admitted she lied to the agent when she told him she hadn't dined with a border inspector who was involved with Mexican smugglers.

In return for the guilty plea, prosecutors dropped charges for which she faced up to 36 years. The charges involved allegations she accepted a free hot tub, car repairs and between \$20,000 and \$30,000 in cash from the inspector, Michael Taylor, and lied about it.

Caganap also agreed to pay a \$3,000 fine and resign. She was formerly head of customs and immigration inspections of the Detroit airport.

Taylor of Escondido pleaded guilty to conspiracy to import marijuana and smuggle immigrants and is now serving a 4½-year prison term.

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