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ICE deports Mexican national wanted for murder

WICHITA, Kan. — A Mexican national wanted for fleeing a homicide charge in his native country was deported Tuesday by officers with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO).

Sergio Arturo Moreno-Perez, 37, a resident of Wichita, was flown to El Paso, Texas, on a charter flight from Louisiana. Upon his arrival at the Paso Del Norte Port-of-Entry in El Paso, ERO officers transferred him to the custody of Mexican law enforcement authorities to face homicide charges.

Moreno is wanted by Mexican law enforcement officials for a homicide charge in Chihuahua, Mexico. A warrant for his arrest was issued by the Sixth Penal Judge of Bravos Judicial District in Chihuahua April 26, 2006.

Moreno first entered the United States illegally in Texas in 1978, but later adjusted to permanent resident status.

He was deported three times between 1995 and 2002, also having served a three-year prison term for illegally re-entering the United States during this period.

Moreno has committed multiple criminal offenses in the Wichita area in addition to his immigration violations, including felony convictions for burglary, robbery and illegal re-entry after deportation. He was most recently sentenced in Sedgwick County, Kansas, in 2005 to 96 months for the felony offense of aggravated robbery. This sentence ran concurrent with a second federal prison term following a second conviction for illegally re-entering the United States.

Upon his release from prison he was remanded to ICE custody where he remained until he was handed over to Mexican authorities.

ICE is focused on smart, effective immigration enforcement that targets serious criminal aliens who present the greatest risk to the security of our communities, such as those charged with or convicted of homicide, rape, robbery, kidnapping, major drug offenses and threats to national security. ICE also prioritizes the arrest and removal of those who game the immigration system including immigration fugitives or those criminal aliens who have been previously deported and illegally re-entered the country.

<http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1205/120515wichita.htm>