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Auto Thief Sentenced to 16 months prison

Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Albert Armando Jauregui, age 38, of Modesto, was convicted on January 25, 2010 of auto theft. Jauregui is currently on probation for possession of stolen property stemming from a May 2009 conviction. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

On January 13, 2010 at approximately 7:00 a.m. in the area of Haddon Avenue in Modesto, officers from the Stanislaus County Auto Theft Task Force (StanCATT) observed Jauregui driving a 2009 silver Mazda automobile. The vehicle was a rental car from Hertz that was reported stolen on October 23, 2009 out of Las Vegas, Nevada. There was no damage to the car. Jauregui claimed that he traded methamphetamine to borrow the vehicle from a friend in Modesto but had no contact information for him.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Thomas Zeff sentenced Jauregui to sixteen months in state prison.

Stanislaus County residents can report suspected vehicle theft activity to their local law enforcement agency or contact the Stanislaus County Auto-Theft Task Force (StanCATT) at: (209) 545-7316.

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