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HANAPEPE MAN ORDERED TO CLEAN UP PROPERTY

Acting Attorney General Thomas R. Keller announced today that on December 6, 2002, Fifth Circuit District Court Judge Joseph Kobayashi ordered Benjamin K. Kali Sr. of Hanapepe to clean up his property that contained 38 trucks, 5 vans, 3 school buses, 14 sedans, 2 boats, and several trailers in June of 2000. The property continues to be the resting haven for derelict vehicles and has been the subject of numerous complaints.

Benjamin K. Kali Sr. pled no contest to the charge of operating an unpermitted solid waste management system on December 6, 2002. Judge Kobayashi granted the deferral of Kali's no contest plea with the condition that he clean up the property on Akea Road within 6 months. Dumping, discarding, or depositing solid waste in an amount greater than one cubic yard in volume anywhere other than a permitted solid waste management system without the approval of the Director of Health is considered an environmental crime punishable by up to 30 days imprisonment and \$25,000.00 for each offense.
