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**TORRES SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS IMPRISONMENT FOR 1992 MURDER OF
NAVY EXCHANGE CASHIER**

Honolulu – Attorney General David Louie announced today that Jenaro Torres has pled no contest to the offense of Assault in the First Degree. Torres was initially indicted for Murder in the Second Degree for the killing and disappearance of Navy Exchange Cashier Ruben Gallegos in 1992. Gallegos' body has never been found. Pursuant to the plea agreement, Torres was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment, the maximum sentence allowable under law for the offense of Assault in the First Degree. Torres was also sentenced to a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years for using a revolver in the commission of the assault. Torres has been incarcerated since 2006.

The plea agreement was reasonable in light of the fact the offense occurred in 1992 and three material witnesses are now deceased. The family supported the plea agreement and continues to be hopeful that Torres might someday disclose the location of Ruben's remains so that he can be given an appropriate burial in Texas.

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