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O‘AHU INMATE CHARGED WITH ESCAPE FOR VIOLATING WORK FURLOUGH

HONOLULU – Attorney General Doug Chin filed felony escape charges against an O‘ahu inmate for violating his work furlough. O‘ahu Community Correctional Center (“OCCC”) escapee Justin Kondo was charged with escape in the second degree, HRS §710-1021. This is a class C felony punishable by up to five years in prison.

Kondo was granted a work furlough pass on June 24, 2014 to go to the Economic Development Center. The Economic Development Center, which is part of Parents and Children Together (PACT), provides a program that helps inmates develop job skills, write resumes, and find job placement. After leaving for the Economic Development Center, Kondo failed to return to OCCC. He was apprehended the next day, June 25, 2014 after he was discovered by an adult corrections officer and pursued by the Honolulu Police Department.

In 2011 Kondo was sentenced to a ten-year term of imprisonment, with a minimum term of three years and four months before being eligible for parole. His prior convictions included burglary, unauthorized entry into a motor vehicle, trespass, harassment, and theft.

Attorney General Chin said of the charges, “This inmate disregarded the second chance that work furlough programs provide and tossed aside the opportunity he was being given to build legitimate job skills at the Economic Development Center.”

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