



Fresno County Sheriff's Department

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Convicted Rapist Gets 27 Years to Life

On August 15, 2006 Antonio Rodriguez Zaragoza (20 years-old) was sentenced to 27 Years to Life for rape, penetration with a foreign object and burglary with the intent to commit rape. This crime occurred on October 2, 2005 in Riverdale. The suspect, Antonio Rodriguez Zaragoza entered the home of the victim while she slept with her infant son in her bedroom. The victim did not know Zaragoza and her husband was at work during the assault.

The suspect assaulted the victim while she held onto her infant son pleading for him to leave her alone. Antonio Rodriguez Zaragoza will have to serve at least eighty percent of his sentence when he then becomes eligible for parole. He will also have to register as a sex offender should he ever be paroled.

The Fresno County Sheriff's Department is pleased to announce that the suspect was brought to justice and held accountable for his actions. Detective Michael Belloli was the lead detective and anyone wishing further information regarding this case is asked to call Detective Michael Belloli at (559)488-6784.