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CA/OCS/ACS/WHA AMY WICKENHEISER

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: CASC

SUBJECT: ARREST, CASE OF [REDACTED]

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- 1. NAME: [REDACTED]
- 2. SEX: Male
- 3. DPOB: [REDACTED]
- 4. PASSPORT: N/A
- 5. OTHER NATIONALITIES, IF ANY, AND HOW ACQUIRED: United States Of America, Birth
- USUAL COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE: United States Of America
- NATIONALITY OF PASSPORT USED TO ENTER COUNTRY OF ARREST: None used
- 6. LAST KNOWN U.S. ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

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- 7. DATE/PLACE OF ARREST: January 29, 2009, Close To International Bridge, Piedras Negras
- 8. CONDITION OF ARRESTEE: Normal
- 9. CHARGES: Auto theft
- 10. PLACE OF DETENTION: PGJE Piedras Negras
- 11. JUDICIAL STATUS: Charges Dropped
- 12. TRIAL/HEARING DATE: UNKNOWN
- 13. POSSIBLE SENTENCE: N/A.

- 14. ATTORNEY: Yes. [REDACTED]
- 15. PRIVACY ACT WAIVER: Full waiver
- 16. NOK: [REDACTED]

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- 17. NOTIFICATION: CONSUL WAS NOTIFIED BY Municipal Police ON January 29, 2009
- 18. ACCESS: VISITED ON February 05, 2009 by ConAgent O'BRIEN, DINA in Piedras Negras
- 19. OTHER AMERICANS ARRESTED: [REDACTED]
- 20. MISTREATMENT: YES
- WHEN MISTREATED: January 29, 2009

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- MISTREATMENT PROTESTED: No
- MISTREATMENT DESCRIPTION: Beat, point gun to head and threatened by Eduardo in front of Municipal Police Officer. (unconfirmed)

21. PROPERTY CONFISCATED: None.

22. JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS:

- PLED Not Guilty TO CHARGE OF RB Robbery

- SENTENCE: Possible Sentence:

Max: 12 yrs.

Min: 3 yrs.

- ACTUALLY RELEASED ON February 04, 2009

23. EMDA: N/A

24. REMARKS: On January 30th, 2009 Municipal Police notified ConAgent in Piedras Negras of the arrest of two American citizens that occurred on January 29, 2009.

On January 30, 2009 ConAgent visited [redacted] and [redacted] at the state prosecutor's prison. [redacted] and [redacted] informed ConAgent that they were arrested in Piedras Negras while attempting to repossess a vehicle for a U.S. company named [redacted] for lack of payment. They contacted the Eagle Pass Police Department and the Municipal Police to let them know of their intentions. The Municipal Police took them to the address where the vehicle was located.

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Upon arrival, [redacted] opened the vehicle with a set of keys provided by the finance company and drove away. As they approached the International Bridge, they were intercepted by the Municipal Police who put them under arrest and took them to an unknown location where an individual by the name of "Eduardo" beat them up and pointed a gun at their heads while in the presence of the Municipal Police Officers that arrested them. Mr. [redacted] declined to file a protest for the mistreatment fearing it would affect their chances of release.

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ConAgent was notified in February 5, 2009 that [redacted] were released on February 4, 2009 after the charges were dropped.

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25. ADVISING NOK OR OTHERS: ConAgent contacted Mr. [redacted]

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26. Post considers this case closed.

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