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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Drug Dealer sent to Prison
Case 1225124

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Ronica Hernandez, age 31, of Modesto, was convicted of possessing methamphetamine for sale and admitted having been previously convicted of a drug offense. Hernandez was sentenced to five years in state prison by the Honorable Donald Shaver on January 5, 2009.

On October 9, 2008, Hernandez was driving a car in Modesto with expired registration tags. A Modesto police officer stopped Hernandez and searched her car. The officer found approximately 27 grams of methamphetamine, numerous small plastic baggies and a digital scale inside the car.

Rodriguez was on felony probation following a conviction on May 14, 2007 for possessing morphine for sale. This prior drug conviction was used against defendant in the present case to render her ineligible for another grant of probation.

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