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Repeat Criminal Sexual Conduct Offender Found Guilty 12 Year-Old Victim Returns from Off-Island to Take a Stance Against Her Perpetrator

May 28, 2013-Hagatna, Guam- After two weeks in trial and just three hours of jury deliberation, Nicholas Camaddu was found guilty of two counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct as a first degree felony and four counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct as a first degree felony.

Camaddu, who pled guilty to criminal sexual conduct in 1979 and who subsequently served a number of years in jail, now faces anywhere between a mandatory minimum of 15 years imprisonment and life imprisonment without parole.

His most recent victim- who has since moved off-island with her family, is now just 12 years old, and who came back to Guam just to testify against her perpetrator- recounted several incidents where he touched her inappropriately.

One of these incidents occurred in November 2011 when Camaddu digitally penetrated the victim after she asked for a Breast Cancer Awareness Bracelet. Another incident occurred about month later on Christmas Eve when the victim woke to find him touching her beneath her undergarments. The most recent incident occurred in February 2012 when the victim was being driven to school and asked for snack money, upon which Camaddu touched her inappropriately and said that he would give her snack money if "you give me what I want."

"This brave young girl came back to Guam to testify; she had to recount her painful and haunting experiences of what Camaddu did to her for the jury while he was in the courtroom looking at her," said Assistant Attorney General (AAG) Matthew Heibel.

"The courage of this young victim made this conviction possible. She is a strong and resilient girl who serves as a beacon of light for other victims to come forward and share their stories so that justice can be served," added Attorney General (AG) Leonardo M. Rapadas.

Two additional victims were called to testify and recount the abuse they experienced from Camaddu.

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"I'd like to thank the additional victims who came forward to testify against Camaddu; their support only strengthened this case to ensure he cannot harm others ever again," said AAG Heibel.

"Finally, I would like to thank the jury for their objectivity as they served their civic duty," continued AAG Heibel.

Camaddu's sentencing hearing is scheduled for June 20, 2013 in Judge Sukola's courtroom where she will determine the length of time Camaddu will remain at the Department of Corrections. Prosecuting attorney Matthew Heibel will argue for the maximum term of life imprisonment without parole.

"I want to especially thank all of the victims without whom this case would have been much more difficult. They displayed courage in the face of the man who sexually assaulted them. The defendant is a career rapist who must be locked up for a long time" added AG Rapadas.

"I would like to thank the administration division of my Office for coordinating and executing the travel arrangements for the victim and her family. Victims are not always willing to take such a strong stance as this young girl did; I am glad that we could assist her," he continued.

The victim in this case has been notified of the verdict and is aware of the scheduled sentencing hearing.

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