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Chinel Sentenced to 10 Year Confinement

Hagatna, Guam-Henry Cepeda Chinel was sentenced today to 10 years imprisonment after he sexually molested a tourist several times back in April of this year.

“Too often, perpetrators think they can prey on tourists because they are here temporarily. This sends a clear message that they will be caught and we will seek justice for those victims who have the courage to report the crime,” said Attorney General Leonardo M. Rapadas.

With the help of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office of Guam, the Office of the Attorney General was able to bring the victim back from her country to testify against Chinel.

“The cooperation between this Office and the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office- or any other Consulate Office on Guam for that matter- is essential and vital to both the people of Guam and the quality of environment for our tourists,” AG Rapadas said. “This case makes it clear that even if your victim lives off-island, we are still going to prosecute you and hold you accountable for the crime.”

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