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Repeat Offender Pleads Guilty to Brutal Crime Spree *Defendant raped two teens on the same day he got out of prison*

County Attorney Andrew Thomas announced today that Salvador Medina (DOB 1/1/80) has pled guilty in connection with a crime spree that happened the day he got out of prison. On August 6, 2009, Medina forced his way into a car and kidnapped two 15-year-old girls and an 11-year old girl. He forced them to drive to another location and he held them hostage for four hours. During that time he raped the two older girls. Later that day he robbed a woman by threatening to hurt her 3-year-old child. Medina confessed to the crime spree after surrendering to Phoenix Police.

Medina was released from prison on August 6 and was on parole. He apparently cut off his GPS ankle monitor. Medina served four years in prison for Sexual Abuse/ Dangerous Crime Against Children out of Pima County.

He was indicted on August 14. On February 2, 2010 he pled guilty to:

Sexual Assault (3 counts)

Attempted Sexual Assault (2 counts)

Kidnapping

Armed Robbery

Attempted Kidnapping

Deputy County Attorney Paula Dixon is prosecuting the case. Medina is expected to be sentenced to 45 years in prison (flat time) plus lifetime probation when he is sentenced on March 4.

Thomas stated, "This brutal repeat offender is a threat to society and public morals and should never be allowed to walk the streets again. Thanks to the plea agreement and tough policies enforced by our office, he'll be locked up for 45 years and justice has been served."

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