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## HUDSPETH MAN RECEIVES TWO 50-YEAR PRISON SENTENCES IN CHILD SEX ABUSE CASE

EL PASO, Texas (06/23/2025) – A man accused of sexually abusing two girls for over a decade pleaded guilty in the moments before his trial was set to begin.

Valentin Juarez Juarez, 33, pleaded guilty to two counts of Continuous Sexual Abuse of a Child Under 14. These are super first-degree felonies with a minimum of 25 years up to 99 or life.

The victims, two girls, were each six years old when Juarez began to abuse them sexually, physically, and psychologically, and it persisted until one girl made an outcry to a family member in Aug. 2022, when both girls were teens. The abuse was then reported to the Hudspeth County Sheriff's Office and resulted in Juarez's arrest in March of 2023. He has remained behind bars since. Each charge resulted in a 50-year prison sentence, which will be served concurrently. Juarez is not eligible for parole and will have to serve the entirety of the sentence.

District Attorney James Montoya commends both the investigative work of former Deputy Emmanuel Garcia of the Hudspeth County Sheriff's Office and Texas Ranger Brent Mata, as well as the girls for bravely speaking up about the abuse.

"The horrific abuse that these victims suffered is unimaginable, and one of the worst cases of child sex abuse in Hudspeth County," Montoya said. "Thankfully, these victims will not have to recount what happened to them publicly to a group of strangers. This 50-year sentence will ensure the perpetrator is nowhere near the victims or the public, potentially for the rest of his natural life."

Assistant District Attorneys Lisa Clausen and Eric Willard represented the State of Texas in the prosecution of this case.

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