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PINON BROTHERS SENTENCED FOR KIDNAPPING AND ASSAULT

PHOENIX – This week, two brothers were sentenced for their respective roles in the kidnapping and assault of three women, including a juvenile. Milfred James, 32, of Pinon, Ariz., was sentenced by Senior U.S. District Judge Neil V. Wake to 72 months of imprisonment. His brother, Delfred Lee, 29, also of Pinon, Ariz., was sentenced to 81 months of imprisonment in addition to three months he previously served in tribal custody for the same offenses. James had previously pleaded guilty to kidnapping and Lee had previously pleaded guilty to assault with a dangerous weapon.

On Dec. 1, 2015, the brothers held three women at gunpoint against their will in a Pinon, Ariz. house on the Navajo Nation Indian Reservation. All parties involved are members of the Navajo Nation.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution was handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Alexander Samuels, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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