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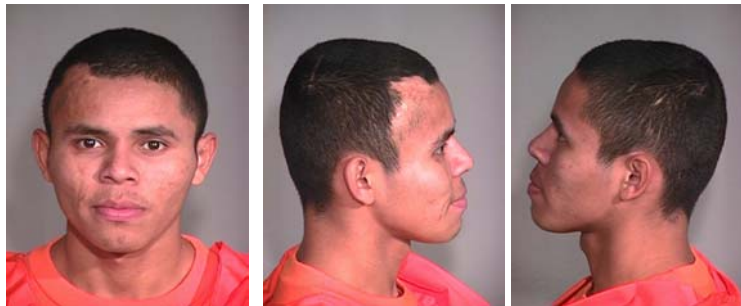
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### Inmate escapes from Florence prison



Phoenix, Az – An inmate sentenced for theft out of Pinal County escaped from the minimum security North Unit at the Arizona State Prison Complex - Florence Sunday morning.

Yelson Moreno, 20, cut a hole in a perimeter fence. He was discovered missing at 11 a.m. The Arizona Department of Corrections K-9 units have been joined by local police, including Florence, Casa Grande and Gila River Indian Community police departments and Pinal County Sheriff's Department, to locate Moreno.

Moreno, a Mexican national, came to the department on June 23 to begin a 30-month sentence for theft.

“The Department of Corrections has deployed numerous resources to track Yelson Moreno, including our K-9 units, and is receiving assistance from several local police agencies,” Director Charles L. Ryan said.

Anyone with information on Moreno's whereabouts should call 602-542-1212.