United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

> No. 02-20445 Conference Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

PAULO CESAR ESPINOZA-HERNANDEZ,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas USDC No. H-01-CR-900-ALL

Before DAVIS, BARKSDALE, and STEWART, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Paulo Cesar Espinoza-Hernandez ("Espinoza") appeals the sentence following his guilty plea for illegal reentry into the United States following deportation. Espinoza argues that his prior conviction for possession of cocaine is not an aggravated felony under the November 1, 2001, Sentencing Guidelines § 2L1.2(b)(1)(C).

Espinoza's arguments regarding the definitions of "drug trafficking offense" and "aggravated felony" are foreclosed by

 $^{^*}$ Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

our decision in <u>United States v. Caicedo-Cuero</u>, 312 F.3d 697, 705-11 (5th Cir. 2002), <u>petition for cert. filed</u>, (U.S. Mar. 19, 2003) (No. 02-9747). Accordingly, the district court did not err in assessing the eight-level upward adjustment.

AFFIRMED.