

United States Court of Appeals  
for the Fifth Circuit

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No. 23-50339  
CONSOLIDATED WITH  
No. 23-50365  
Summary Calendar

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United States Court of Appeals  
Fifth Circuit

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

*Plaintiff—Appellee,*

*versus*

MARGARITO CRUZ-RAMIREZ,

*Defendant—Appellant.*

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Appeals from the United States District Court  
for the Western District of Texas  
USDC Nos. 2:21-CR-1116-1, 2:21-CR-635-1

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Before SMITH, HIGGINSON, and ENGELHARDT, *Circuit Judges.*

PER CURIAM:\*

Margarito Cruz-Ramirez appeals his conviction and sentence for illegal reentry after removal, as well as the order revoking the term of supervised release he was serving at the time of the offense. Regarding the illegal reentry offense, he argues that 8 U.S.C. § 1326(b) is unconstitutional

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\* This opinion is not designated for publication. *See* 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.

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because it allows a sentence above the otherwise applicable statutory maximum established by § 1326(a) based on facts that are neither alleged in the indictment nor found by a jury beyond a reasonable doubt. Because Cruz-Ramirez does not address the revocation or the revocation sentence, he has abandoned any challenge to them. *See Yohey v. Collins*, 985 F.2d 222, 224-25 (5th Cir. 1993).

Cruz-Ramirez has filed an unopposed motion for summary disposition and a letter brief correctly conceding that the only issue he raises is foreclosed by *Almendarez-Torres v. United States*, 523 U.S. 224 (1998). *See United States v. Pervis*, 937 F.3d 546, 553-54 (5th Cir. 2019). He explains that he has raised the issue to preserve it for possible further review. Accordingly, because summary disposition is appropriate, *see Groendyke Transp., Inc. v. Davis*, 406 F.2d 1158, 1162 (5th Cir. 1969), Cruz-Ramirez's motion is GRANTED, and the district court's judgments are AFFIRMED.