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United States of America,

Plaintiff—Appellee,

versus

Martin Alonso Munoz Rodriguez,

Defendant—Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas USDC No. 4:24-CR-257-1

Before KING, HAYNES, and Ho, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Martin Alonso Munoz Rodriguez appeals following his conviction for illegal reentry in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326(a), arguing for the first time on appeal that the statutory sentencing enhancement in § 1326(b) is unconstitutional. The Government has filed a motion for summary affirmance or, alternatively, for an extension of time in which to file a brief.

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While Munoz Rodriguez takes no position on the motion, he concedes that his argument is foreclosed by *Almendarez-Torres v. United States*, 523 U.S. 224 (1998).

The parties are correct that the argument is foreclosed. See United States v. Pervis, 937 F.3d 546, 553-54 (5th Cir. 2019); see also Erlinger v. United States, 602 U.S. 821, 838 (2024) (explaining that Almendarez-Torres "persists as a narrow exception permitting judges to find only the fact of a prior conviction" (internal quotation marks and citation omitted)). Summary affirmance is therefore appropriate. See Groendyke Transp., Inc. v. Davis, 406 F.2d 1158, 1162 (5th Cir. 1969). Accordingly, the motion for summary affirmance is GRANTED, the alternative motion for an extension of time is DENIED AS MOOT, and the judgment of the district court is AFFIRMED.