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HOMEOWNER PLEADS GUILTY TO ATTEMPTED TAX EVASION

HONOLULU — On January 24, 2008, before the Honorable Derrick H.M. Chan, a Honolulu woman pled no contest to six counts of attempted tax evasion for tax years 2000 through 2005. Encarnacion Gallarde received \$137,600 from room rentals and lei stand sales over the six-year period and failed to report the income on her general excise tax returns. The criminal complaint filed on January 18, 2008 also included false statements she made to the tax investigator stating she did not receive any rental income for the years in which she was charged. Ms. Gallarde will be sentenced on April 9, 2008.

Attempt to evade or defeat tax as defined in HRS §231-34, is a class C felony that upon conviction, is punishable by a term of imprisonment of not more than five years, a fine of not more than \$100,000 or probation.

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