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Former Certified Nursing Assistant Sentenced to 13 months in Prison for Attempted Sexual Abuse and Simple Assault of two Residents of a Skilled Nursing Facility

Washington, D.C. - United States Attorney Kenneth L. Wainstein and District of Columbia Inspector General Charles J. Willoughby announced today that Clement Bassey Nkop, 49, of Washington, D.C., was sentenced in D.C. Superior Court after being found guilty of two counts of attempted misdemeanor sexual abuse and two counts of simple assault on March 17, 2006, by the Honorable Jeanette Clark. Nkop was found guilty following a trial in which two residents of a nursing home in NW Washington D.C. testified that Nkop engaged in sexual contact while providing personal care to them. The women informed a nursing manager about the offensive touching, which was subsequently reported to the D.C. Long Term Care Ombudsman.

Based on the seriousness of the offenses, Judge Clark ordered Nkop to serve consecutive sentences totaling 400 days in jail for all four charges, to 3 years of supervised probation by Court Services & Offender Supervision Agency's sex offender supervision team, to stay away from the complainants, nursing home, and all statutorily defined vulnerable adults, and to register as a sexual offender.

In announcing the conviction and sentence, United States Attorney Wainstein and Inspector General Willoughby praised the work of Detective Jeffrey Williams of the Metropolitan Police Department Sexual Assault Unit, Special Agent Arkieva Smith and

Patient Abuse Coordinator Jonathan Rich of the OIG Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) for their investigation. Mr. Wainstein and Mr. Willoughby also thanked David Foster for coordinating with nursing home witnesses and Ilethia Moore of the Long Term Care Ombudsman program. They also commended Assistant United States Attorney Sharon Donovan and MFCU Director Susan Bieber Kennedy for their assistance in the investigation, and Assistant United States Attorney Sarah McClellan and MFCU Attorney Dangkhua Nguyen for their prosecution of the case.