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Prolific Tagger Sentenced to State Prison

By Ned Racine

(Jan. 17, 2007) Louie Hernandez, a 20-year-old tagger from Huntington Park, pleaded guilty, Tuesday, to 17 counts of felony graffiti vandalism of Metro property.

According to Sheriff's Sgt. Augie Pando, Herandez signed a written confession and admitted responsibility for 17 cases of felony graffiti vandalism, totaling more than \$31,000 in damage.

After pleading guilty in Los Angeles County Superior Court, Hernandez was sentenced to four years and four months in the California state prison system.

After a large number of graffiti vandalism incidents on Metro buses, passenger stations and trains, the Sheriff's Transit Services Bureau began an investigation. Deputies later identified the tagger as Louie Hernandez, whose moniker was "Gloer."

