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Man in Mercury Incident Gets 90 Days in Jail, 3-Years' Probation

(March 9, 2007) The man arrested for spilling mercury on the Pershing Square station platform pleaded no contest, earlier this month, to a misdemeanor and was sentenced to 90 days in jail.

Armando Bustamante Miranda, 27, also was ordered to serve three years' probation and to keep away from Metro facilities after pleading no contest to releasing an offensive or harmful substance in a public area.

Miranda was caught by a video surveillance camera, Dec. 22, as he crouched on the subway platform. He appeared to spin a small bottle, which broke and spilled the liquid metal on the platform.

