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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

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MOLLY C. DWYER, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

MARGARITO LIRA-LIRA,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 08-10070

D.C. No. CR-07-00118-DCB

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Arizona David C. Bury, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted January 11, 2010**

Before: BEEZER, TROTT, and BYBEE, Ninth Circuit Judges.

Margarito Lira-Lira appeals from his guilty-plea conviction and 72-month sentence imposed for possession with intent to distribute approximately 212 kilograms of marijuana, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B)(vii).

^{*} This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

The panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. See Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Lira-Lira's counsel has filed a brief stating there are no grounds for relief, along with a motion to withdraw as counsel of record. We have provided the appellant with the opportunity to file a pro se supplemental brief. No pro se supplemental brief or answering brief has been filed.

Our independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80-81 (1988), discloses no arguable grounds for relief on direct appeal.

Accordingly, counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**, and the district court's judgment is **AFFIRMED**.