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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

FELICIANO CRUZ-RODRIGUEZ,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 10-30177

D.C. No. 1:09-cr-00102-BLW

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the District of Idaho
B. Lynn Winmill, Chief Judge, Presiding

Submitted September 27, 2011**

Before: HAWKINS, SILVERMAN, and W. FLETCHER, Circuit Judges.

Feliciano Cruz-Rodriguez appeals from his guilty-plea conviction and 120-month sentence for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine, cocaine and marijuana, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), 846. Pursuant to *Anders v.*

California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Cruz-Rodriguez’s counsel has filed a brief stating

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

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. We dismiss in light of the valid appeal waiver. *See United States v. Nguyen*, 235 F.3d 1179, 1182 (9th Cir. 2000).

Counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**.

DISMISSED.