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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

MANINDER SINGH, a.k.a. Maninder
Singh Reel,

Defendant - Appellant.

Nos. 11-30123

11-30128

D.C. Nos. 2:10-cr-00291-MJP

2:10-cr-00254-MJP

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Western District of Washington
Marsha J. Pechman, Chief Judge, Presiding

Submitted September 10, 2012**

Before: WARDLAW, CLIFTON, and N.R. SMITH, Circuit Judges.

In these consolidated appeals, Maninder Singh appeals from his guilty-plea convictions and concurrent 96-month sentences for conspiracy to bring in and transport aliens, in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1324(a)(1)(A)(v)(I) and (a)(1)(B)(I); and

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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).

for conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), 841 (b)(1)(C), and 846. Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Singh'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 Singh with the opportunity to file a pro se supplemental brief. No pro se supplemental brief or answering brief has been filed.

In case number 11-30123, our independent review of the record pursuant to *Person v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80 (1988), discloses no arguable grounds for relief on direct appeal.

In case number 11-30128, our independent review of the record pursuant to *Person* discloses no arguable grounds for relief as to Singh's conviction. We dismiss the appeal of the sentence 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**.

In case number 11-30123, the judgment is AFFIRMED. In case number 11-30128, the conviction is AFFIRMED, and the appeal of the sentence is DISMISSED.