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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

LI YANCHUN,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 13-10104

D.C. No. 1:12-cr-00012

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the District of the Northern Mariana Islands
Ramona V. Manglona, Chief Judge, Presiding

Submitted June 22, 2015**

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

Li YanChun appeals from the district court's judgment and challenges the 60-month sentence imposed following his guilty-plea conviction for conspiracy to commit sex trafficking by fraud, force, or coercion, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371 and 1591(a)(1). Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967),

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

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

Li's counsel has filed a brief stating that there are no grounds for relief, along with a motion to withdraw as counsel of record. We have provided Li the opportunity to file a pro se supplemental brief. No pro se supplemental brief or answering brief has been filed.

Li waived his right to appeal his conviction and sentence. Our independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80 (1988), discloses no arguable issue as to the validity of the waiver. *See United States v. Watson*, 582 F.3d 974, 986-88 (9th Cir. 2009). We accordingly dismiss the appeal. *See id.* at 988.

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

DISMISSED.