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On September 29, 2010, Carlyle Whiteotter Blake, 31, of Hoopa, was sentenced to 10 years in the Department of Corrections for transportation of a controlled substance. Mr. Blake also admitted to suffering a prior “strike” felony, a 2009 conviction for voluntary manslaughter.

Mr. Blake was charged with possession of a controlled substance in the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on August 12, 2009, after Correctional Officers located approximately 1.4 grams (net weight) of heroin secreted in Mr. Blake’s buttocks. The heroin was discovered while Mr. Blake awaited transfer to the Department of Corrections on his voluntary manslaughter conviction.

The plea to the more serious transportation of heroin charge was entered after the District Attorney’s Office agreed not to file charges stemming from a report that Mr. Blake possessed both a lighter and marijuana cigarette inside the Humboldt County Correctional Facility.

The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Ben McLaughlin.