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Context: (CNN) – The nephew and protege of an imprisoned Mexican drug cartel kingpin pleaded guilty to drug conspiracy charges in a federal court in Brownsville, Texas, on Monday. Rafael Cardenas Vela, 38, admitted to being a "plaza boss" in the Gulf Cartel, which prosecutors said was responsible for smuggling thousands of kilograms of cocaine and marijuana into the United States from Mexico. Cardenas Vela was arrested by federal agents during a traffic stop in southern Texas in October. His uncle, Osiel Cardenas Guillen, led the Matamoros-based Gulf Cartel before he was convicted in 2010 on drug trafficking charges and sentenced to serve 25 years at the supermax prison in Fremont County, Colorado. Cardenas Vela fled to the United States in May 2011 to escape an internal power struggle in the cartel after the November 2010 death of another uncle, Ezequiel Cardenas Guillen, according to the U.S. Attorney's office. He was still able to control his drug territory through the use of e-mails to key leadership within the cartel, the prosecutors said. His operation purchased 70 to 80 kilograms of cocaine each month in southern Mexico, which was then smuggled across the U.S. border in small vehicles about 16 to 20 kilograms at a time, prosecutors said. "At the time of Cardenas' arrest, it was discovered he had approximately 500 men equipped and ready to respond to his call," prosecutors said in a news release. Cardenas Vela, who is scheduled to be sentenced on June 18, faces a minimum sentence of 10 years in prison and a maximum sentence of life in prison, a fine of up to 10 million and up to five years of supervised release, the government said. CANNOTANSWER

STUDENT: **What charge is the man in the story facing?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “drug conspiracy charges” (drug conspiracy charges )

STUDENT: **What is the man’s name?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “Rafael Cardenas Vela” (Rafael Cardenas Vela )

STUDENT: **What was he bringing into the US?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “cocaine and marijuana” (cocaine and marijuana )

STUDENT: **Where is he facing charges?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “Brownsville, Texas” (Brownsville, Texas )

STUDENT: **Is there anyone else in his family that does the same thing he does?**

TEACHER: ⇨ Yes, “Yes” (Brownsville, Texas )

STUDENT: **Who?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “His uncle” (His uncle )

STUDENT: **What happened to this man?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “he was convicted” (he was convicted )

STUDENT: **Where was he convicted?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “U.S. border” (U.S. border )

STUDENT: **Has the man caught recently ran out of the country before?**

TEACHER: ⇨ Yes, “Yes” (U.S. border )

STUDENT: **How much dope was he bringing out of that country?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “thousands of kilograms” (thousands of kilograms )

STUDENT: **Over what time frame?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “each month” (each month )

STUDENT: **When will he be sentenced?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “June 18” (June 18 )

STUDENT: **How did he plead?**

TEACHER: ⇨ “Guilty” (a )