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### **Ex-Police Subcommissioner Sentenced to 15 years in Prison for Money Laundering**

Tegucigalpa. A trial court with national jurisdiction sentenced Normando Rafael Lozano Lopez, a fired ex-Police Subcommissioner, to a 15 year sentence for the crime of Money Laundering in detriment of the economy of the state of Honduras.

The Court included in the sentence the confiscation of acquired good in this crime, and ordered that these be transferred to the Bureau for Seized Goods Administration.

His sentence included Civil Interdiction for its. Lozano Lopez was also stripped of all honors and barred from public service.

During the process, the Public Ministry also accused Lozano Lopez for Illicit Drug Trafficking and for Illegal Firearm Carry; however, after reviewing the available evidence presented during debate, the Court determined to acquit him of these charges.

In November 2012, a judge ordered a search warrant for Lozanos Lopez's property in Choloma, Cortes after a thorough field investigation that was carried out by the Special Prosecutor for Organized Crime. During the search, investigators discovered an amount of money in US dollars and Honduran lempiras that Lozano Lopez was unable to justify and served as the basis for charging him with money laundering.

Lozano Lopez declared himself guilty in June 2015 and has been serving part of his prison term in the National Penitentiary while he awaited formal sentence.