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## INMATE LEAVES HALE NANI REINTEGRATION CENTER UNAUTHORIZED

HILO – A Hawaii island furlough inmate made an unauthorized exit from the Hale Nani Reintegration Center early this morning.

Michael Blanco was seen walking out of the furlough center unauthorized just before 2 a.m. Security staff told him to stop but he ran. They pursued him but were unable to capture him. Hawaii Police were notified.

Blanco is 42-years old, weighs 190 lbs., and is 5'9" tall. He has brown eyes and brown hair. Blanco has community custody status. He is serving time for Promotion of a Dangerous Drug. His next parole hearing was scheduled for December.

If you see Blanco, call 911.

Hale Nani, HCCC's reintegration program, is a dorm-style building located in Panaewa. Hale Nani offers offenders reintegration services and a work release program for sentenced inmates who will be released on the island of Hawaii.

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