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NORTH LIBERTY MEN SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR CONSPIRACY TO MANUFACTURE AND DISTRIBUTE DRUGS AND POSSESSION OF FIREARMS IN FURTHERANCE OF DRUG TRAFFICKING

DAVENPORT, IA- On February 22, 2012, Christopher Michael Robertson, age 29, of North Liberty, Iowa, was sentenced to 120 months imprisonment for one count of conspiracy to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine and conspiracy to distribute marijuana, and 60 months imprisonment for one count of possession of firearms in furtherance of drug trafficking, with the sentences to be served consecutively for a total prison term of 180 months, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. United States District Judge Robert W. Pratt also ordered that Robertson serve a term of 8 years supervised release following his incarceration and pay \$200 to the Crime Victims Fund.

Co-defendant Dennis Jay Seeman, age 32, of North Liberty, Iowa, was sentenced to 90 months imprisonment for one count of conspiracy to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine and conspiracy to distribute marijuana, and 60 months imprisonment for one count of possession of firearms in furtherance of drug trafficking, with the sentences to be served consecutively for a total prison term of 150 months. Judge Pratt also ordered that Seeman serve a term of 4 years supervised release following his incarceration and pay \$200 to the Crime Victims Fund.

Beginning by November, 2010, and continuing until February 3, 2011, Robertson and Seeman conspired to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine and distribute marijuana. In furtherance of the conspiracy they possessed a number of firearms, including multiple semi-automatic handguns, a 7.62mm rifle, and a .223 caliber rifle. When arrested by narcotics officers on February 3, 2011, during a drug transaction, Seeman was armed with loaded Glock and Colt semi-automatic handguns and Robertson was armed with a loaded Hi Point Model semi-automatic handgun.

This investigation was conducted by the Iowa City, Iowa, Police Department, the Coralville, Iowa, Police Department, the University of Iowa Police Department, the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, the Johnson County Drug Task Force, the Iowa Division of Narcotics Enforcement, and the United States Drug Enforcement Administration. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.