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Pennsylvania Man Indicted on Crack Cocaine Distribution Charges

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TRENTON – A Fairless Hills, Pa., man was indicted today for selling approximately 100 grams of crack cocaine on two occasions in Trenton, U.S. Attorney Christopher J. Christie announced.

The two-count federal Indictment charges Bobby Williams, 27, with two counts of distribution and possession with the intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine. The federal Indictment is the result of a long-term investigation by numerous federal, state, county and local law enforcement agencies.

According to a criminal Complaint that was signed on Jan 29, 2007, Williams sold approximately 100 grams of crack cocaine to a cooperating informant on Dec. 20, 2006, and again on Jan. 18, 2007. Both of the drug transactions occurred in Trenton.

Williams was arrested on Feb. 1, as part of a law enforcement task force round up of violent gang members of a Bloods set known as “Sex, Money, Murder.” Williams has been held without bail since his arrest.

Each count of distribution and possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine carries a mandatory minimum penalty of 10 years in prison and a maximum penalty of life, and a fine of \$4 million.

In determining an actual sentence, the judge to whom the case is assigned would, upon a conviction, consult the advisory U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, which provide appropriate sentencing ranges that take into account the severity and characteristics of the offense, the defendant's criminal history, if any, and other factors. The judge, however, is not bound by those guidelines in determining a sentence.

Parole has been abolished in the federal system. Defendants who are given custodial terms must serve nearly all that time.

Despite indictment, all defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Christie credited Special Agents of the DEA, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Gerard P. McAleer; the FBI, under the direction of Acting Special Agent in Charge Pedro Ruiz; Troopers with the New Jersey State Police, under the direction of Superintendent Colonel Joseph R. Fuentes; Investigators with the N.J. Division of Criminal Justice, under the direction of Gregory Paw, Director; the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office, under the direction of Prosecutor Joseph L. Bocchini, Jr.; the Trenton Police Department, under the direction of Joseph Santiago, Director, and numerous local police departments, with the investigation leading to the Indictment.

The Government is represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Patrick C. Askin of the Criminal Division in Trenton.

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