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LAWRENCE KING SENTENCED TO 20 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR THREATENING FEDERAL AGENT

United States Attorney Anthony J. Jenkins announced today that on July 8, 2008, Lawrence King, 50, was sentenced in the district court on St. Thomas to 20 months in prison and three years supervised release for threatening a federal law enforcement special agent.

On December 17, 2007, King pleaded guilty to two counts of a three-count indictment charging him with threatening the lives of Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent Michael Goldfinger and his family, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 115 (a)(1)(A) and (a)(1)(B).

The investigation revealed that on September 10, 2007, King traveled to the headquarters of the High Intensity Drug Area Task Force and requested a meeting with Special Agent Goldfinger. When King was informed that Special Agent Goldfinger was not available, King threatened to make Special Agent Goldfinger and his family disappear.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Ishmael A. Meyers, Jr. The case was investigated by the High Intensity Drug Area Task Force.