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FEDERAL GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS

Madison, Wisconsin -- A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin, sitting in Madison, returned the following indictments today. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

MASSACHUSETTS MAN CHARGED WITH GUN CRIME

Trevor Lucas, 21, Gloucester, Mass., is charged with knowingly and unlawfully transporting firearms and ammunition in interstate commerce with the intent to commit a felony. The indictment alleges that he transported the firearms and ammunition on August 25 and 26, 2009.

If convicted, Lucas faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Madison Police Department; Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; Gloucester Police Department; and Massachusetts State Police. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH DRUG & GUN CRIMES

Ernesto Abeyta, 33, Madison, Wis., is charged three counts of distributing cocaine, one count of possessing cocaine with intent to distribute, and one count of possessing a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. The indictment alleges that he distributed cocaine twice on May 7, 2009 and once on May 26, 2009, and that he possessed cocaine and a .45 caliber handgun on October 20, 2009.

If convicted, Abeyta faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison on each drug count charged, and a mandatory penalty of five years in federal prison on the gun count. The charges against him are the result of an investigation by the Drug Enforcement

Administration. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

SOUTH DAKOTA MAN CHARGED WITH MONONA BANK ROBBERY

Thomas J. Hunt, 46, Sioux Falls, S.D., is charged with robbing the Guaranty Bank, 6540 Monona Drive, Monona, Wis., on May 6, 2009.

If convicted, Hunt faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Monona Police Department and Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey M. Anderson.

IOWA MAN CHARGED WITH GUN CRIME

Tavares D. Montgomery, 23, Waterloo, Iowa, is charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition. The indictment alleges that on July 29, 2009, he possessed a .22 caliber revolver and ammunition.

If convicted, Montgomery faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Madison Police Department and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

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