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DAVENPORT MAN SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON FOR CONSPIRING TO DISTRIBUTE CRACK COCAINE

DAVENPORT, IA- On July 13, 2011, Danielle Antoine Ellis, age 34, of Davenport, Iowa, was sentenced to 200 months imprisonment, having previously pleaded guilty to conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. United States District Judge John A. Jarvey also sentenced Ellis to serve at least five years supervised release after imprisonment and ordered him to pay a \$100 special assessment to the crime victims fund.

On July 2, 2010, Ellis pleaded guilty to conspiring, from September 2007 to November 2009, with Gregory Bloodsaw, Emanuel Ellis, Goleather Ellis, Terrell Esters, Kirk Phillips, Cardale Smith and Lacindra Hicks-Spears, to distribute at least 50 grams of crack cocaine. Ellis admitted that he voluntarily and intentionally joined an agreement to distribute crack cocaine in the Davenport area. Ellis admitted that he furthered this conspiracy by obtaining crack cocaine from known drug sources and distributing this crack cocaine to others. Ellis admitted that he distributed crack cocaine on three separate days in August 2009 and October 2009. At sentencing, Ellis agreed that he was responsible for at least 2.8 kilograms of crack cocaine.

This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa, and was investigated by the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, the Iowa Department of Public Safety, Division of Narcotics Enforcement, and the Davenport Police Department.

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