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Blaine man sentenced for importing more than 80 grams of heroin

Late yesterday afternoon in federal court in Minneapolis, a 48-year-old Blaine man was sentenced for importing between 80 and 100 grams of heroin from Pakistan into the United States. United States District Court Judge Joan N. Ericksen sentenced Steven Robert Schilling to 24 months in prison on one count of importation of a controlled substance. Schilling was charged on March 18, 2011, and pleaded guilty on April 29, 2011. In his plea agreement, Schilling admitted importing into the country at least 80 but less than 100 grams of heroin between July 1 and August 19, 2010.

This case was the result of an investigation by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration-Office of Criminal Investigations, the Anoka-Hennepin Drug Task Force, and the Blaine Police Department. It was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Andrew R. Winter.

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