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## DEFENDANT RENOUNCES 110 GANG MEMBERSHIP AFTER BEING SENTENCED TO 100 MONTHS IN PRISON

RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN, United States Attorney, Northern District of New York, announces that **REDDELL SMITH**, age 25, of Syracuse, New York, was sentenced yesterday in U.S. District Court in Syracuse to 100 months in prison, followed by five years of supervised release, for his role in conspiring to engage in a pattern of racketeering activity through his membership in the 110 Gang, a violent street gang operating on the streets of Syracuse.

As part of his plea, **SMITH** admitted the following: (1) that he was involved with the 110 gang, which was also known as "Face Mobb," in memoriam to slain 110 gang member Darone Scott, a/k/a "Face"; (2) that the 110 Gang engaged in a pattern of racketeering activity that included, among other things, possessing with intent to distribute and distribution of cocaine base (crack) and various acts of violence; (3) that the 110 Gang operated within a specifically defined geographic area on the south side of the City of Syracuse, New York; (4) that 110 Gang members routinely guarded that territory and resorted to acts of violence, if necessary, to insure that no rival gang members encroached upon their territory to sell drugs, or for any other reason; (5) that by tightly controlling their defined geographic area, 110 Gang members maintained an exclusive territory within which only their members or associates could distribute their crack cocaine; and (6) that the gang also routinely engaged in acts of violence both within and outside their territory in furtherance of its' gang activities.

At sentencing, it was noted that **SMITH's** lengthy criminal history showed that by 15 years of age he was already deeply involved in serious criminal conduct with the 110 gang. Several examples of that criminal conduct were noted, including the following: (1) on April 14, 2007 stealing a vehicle from a rival gang member in the parking lot of the Denny's Restaurant at 1440 West Genesee Street in Syracuse, New York, by pointing a gun at the driver of the vehicle, ordering him out of the vehicle, and then getting into the vehicle and driving away; (2) on November 11, 2007, being present with fellow 110 gang member DARQUAN WALKER, when WALKER shot at a rival gang member in the 200 block of West Ostrander Avenue in Syracuse, New York; (3) on November 17, 2007, WALKER and **SMITH** pointing handguns at a rival gang member who was sitting in a vehicle at the corner of Midland Avenue and West Newell Street in Syracuse, New York; (4) on November 18, 2007, being involved in a shoot out, along with fellow 110 gang member JERMAINE BARNUM, with a rival gang member in the parking lot of the S&R Market on South Avenue, in Syracuse, New York; and (5), on December 12, 2008, in

the 600 block of Onondaga Avenue in Syracuse, New York, possessing \$1,900 in U.S. currency, a small quantity of marijuana, and a 9 mm handgun that had previously been used in at least 12 other shootings since 2005.

During the sentencing hearing, **SMITH** took full responsibility for his actions and repeatedly apologized at length for the considerable violence he had caused in Syracuse. Of particular note, **SMITH** forcefully renounced any further membership or association with the 110 gang. A copy of the sentencing hearing transcript is available upon request.

This prosecution resulted from a joint investigation conducted by the Syracuse Gang Violence Task Force, which is comprised of agents and detectives from the following agencies: United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (Syracuse Office), the Syracuse Police Department, the Onondaga County Sheriff's Department, the New York State Police, and the U.S. Marshals Service.

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