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OGK GANG MEMBER SENTENCING

Eleventh OGK Defendant Sentenced, Receiving 88 Additional Incarceration in Federal Racketeering Case

United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian announced today that **ELIJAH SIMS**, **a/k/a** "E" and E-Head, age 25, of Albany, New York, was sentenced today by United States District Court Judge Gary L. Sharpe to 88 months incarceration (**SIMS** was facing a sentence of 100 months but received 12 months credit for time already served), and 5 years of supervised release following his release from incarceration. This sentence follows his plea of guilty to a racketeering conspiracy charge as set forth in Count 1 of a federal indictment relating to the criminal activities of the **ORIGINAL GANGSTER KILLERS (OGK) or "Downtown"** gang, which operated within the City of Albany.

SIMS is the eleventh OGK gang members to be sentenced. SIMS previously had admitted that he was an OGK gang member and had conspired with other persons to possess with intent to distribute and distribute crack cocaine within the Northern District of New York.

SIMS' involvement in the narcotics conspiracy involved the possession with intent to distribute and distribution of more than 50 grams of cocaine base (crack cocaine).

This prosecution resulted from a joint investigation conducted by the Office of the United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York; the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Albany Field Division; the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives; the Drug Enforcement Administration, Albany District Office; the City of Albany Police Department; the

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Albany County Sheriff's Department; the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Department; the New York State Department of Corrections; the New York State Division of Parole; the New York State Police; the United States Marshal, Northern District of New York, Albany Office; the Albany County District Attorney's Office; the Rensselaer County District Attorney's Office; the Town of Guilderland Police Department; the Town of Bethlehem Police Department; and the City of Cohoes Police Department.

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