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ARSONIST CONVICTED

Schenectady Man Admits to Arson

United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian, Special Agent-in-Charge Joseph A. Anarumo of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Fire Chief Michael DellaRocco of the Schenectady Fire Department, and Police Chief Mark Chaires of the Schenectady Police Department, announce that **KENDO GEORGE**, a/k/a **GEORGE KENDO**, a/k/a **Shawn**, pled guilty to Arson as set forth in Count 1 of a federal Indictment.

In his Plea Agreement, **GEORGE** admitted that: on or about September 28, 2009, in the early hours of the morning, he was present at his former girlfriend's first floor rental unit, located on Broadway in Schenectady, New York, and that following a disagreement with her, he maliciously started a fire that eventually engulfed and destroyed the two-story rental unit.

At sentencing, which is scheduled for September 10, 2012, **GEORGE** is expected to be sentenced to 60 months incarceration, a term of supervised release, and mandatory restitution as determined by the Court.

The prosecution resulted from a joint investigation conducted by the Office of the United States Attorney, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Schenectady Fire Department, and the Schenectady Police Department.