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**BROOKLYN MAN SENTENCED TO LIFE IN PRISON FOR KILLING
BRINKS EMPLOYEE IN YONKERS IN CONNECTION WITH ATTEMPT
TO STEAL MONEY FROM BANK ATM MACHINES**

MICHAEL J. GARCIA, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced that PAUL RYAN DOUGLAS was sentenced today in federal court in White Plains, New York to life in prison for killing MILTON MORAN Jr., a Brinks ATM technician, on April 22, 2004, in connection with an attempt to steal money from Citibank ATM machines then located in Yonkers, New York. The killing occurred at 1915-25 Central Park Avenue in Yonkers. DOUGLAS was convicted on December 14, 2005 by a federal jury in White Plains, New York following a seven-day trial.

In imposing sentence, United States District Judge COLLEEN McMAHON, called DOUGLAS's crime heinous, and noted that DOUGLAS both caused the victim to die in terror, and then treated his body like "garbage" by dumping it in the trunk of a car. JUDGE McMAHON said she would have imposed a life sentence even if it were not required by statute.

The evidence at trial showed that DOUGLAS, 33, of Brooklyn, New York, worked for Brinks from late 1999 through the middle of 2002. His job included loading the ATM machines then located at 1915-25 Central Park Avenue with hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash. The evidence at trial also showed that DOUGLAS was seen at 1915-25 Central Park Avenue on the morning of April 22, 2004, a day on which cash was scheduled to be delivered to the ATM machines, dumping MORAN's body into the trunk of MORAN's car and fleeing the scene. The car in which DOUGLAS fled was later recovered with a loaded shotgun and a bullet proof vest in it, according to the trial evidence. MORAN, who lived in the Bronx and was 29 when he was killed, was at 1915-25 Central Park Avenue on the morning of April 22 to repair a printer jam in one of the

ATM machines, and was last seen alive shortly after 9 a.m. He was found with his mouth sealed shut with duct tape and a large bruise on the side of his head. Medical testimony established that the principal cause of death was asphyxiation.

After less than four hours of deliberation, a jury in United States District Court convicted DOUGLAS of attempting to enter 1915-25 Central Park Avenue with intent to steal money from the ATM machines inside, and with killing MILTON MORAN Jr. in connection with that crime.

MR. GARCIA praised the investigative efforts of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Yonkers Police Department.

Assistant United States Attorneys STEPHEN J. RITCHIN and KAREN B. KONIGSBERG are in charge of the prosecution.

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