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AMHERST MAN SENTENCED IN CRACK COCAINE AND GUN CASE

BUFFALO, N.Y. - U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Rahman S. DUNN, 36, of Amherst, New York, who was convicted of possession with intent to distribute cocaine base and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug-trafficking crime, on October 12, 2011, was sentenced to a combined term of 168 months imprisonment to be followed by 3 years of supervised release by Chief Judge William M. Skretny, United States District Court.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Thomas S. Duszkievicz, who handled the case, stated that the defendant had been convicted of possession with intent to distribute 28 grams or more of cocaine base and with possession of a Glock .40 caliber semi automatic pistol in furtherance of Drug Trafficking, occurring on October 21, 2010. AUSA Duszkievicz stated that the defendant was arrested by Drug Enforcement Administration Agents at the intersection Gorton and Hamilton Streets in Buffalo and found in possession of 6.8 grams of cocaine base which he had secreted in his coat pocket. AUSA Duszkievicz also advised that a search at a rented stash house at 53 Richmond Ave in Buffalo yielded an additional 72.2 grams of cocaine base, 84.3 grams of cocaine, drug packaging and processing paraphernalia ,as well as the semi-automatic handgun. The sentencing involved 108 months on the drug-trafficking crime and the mandatory minimum 60-month sentence for the possession of a firearm in relation to that drug-trafficking crime which sentences were ordered to run consecutively.

The conviction was the culmination of an investigation on the part of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration under the direction of Wilbert L. Plummer, Acting Special Agent in Charge, New York Field Division.

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