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NEWS RELEASE

Today, Jean Joseph, a/k/a “Shaka,” was charged in a five-count indictment<sup>1</sup> with drug and weapons offenses, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger. The indictment charges Joseph with one count of distribution of cocaine, two counts of possession with intent to distribute cocaine base (“crack”), one count of possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking offense, one count of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, and one count of possession of a firearm by an illegal alien, between October of 2009 and January of 2010.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
Jean Joseph	Reading, PA	1978

If convicted the defendant faces a statutory maximum sentence of life imprisonment, with a mandatory minimum sentence of 60 months imprisonment, six years up to lifetime supervised release, and a \$6.5 million fine.

The case was investigated by the office of Immigration Customs and Enforcement, and the Berks County District Attorney’s Office and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Maria M. Carrillo.

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<sup>1</sup>An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.