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ARMED BANK ROBBER SENTENCED TO MORE THAN 11 YEARS IN PRISON

PHILADELPHIA - Amin Dancy, 24, of Philadelphia, was sentenced yesterday to 11 years and three months in prison for his role in an armed bank robbery conspiracy, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger. In July of 2009, Dancy took part in the armed robbery of the Wachovia Bank at 628 Gravel Pike, in East Greenville, PA. Dancy's friend and co-defendant, Dominique Johnson, was the ringleader who orchestrated this and four other bank robberies in May and July of 2009, including an earlier robbery of the same Wachovia Bank branch that he and Dancy robbed.

In the second robbery of the East Greenville branch, Dancy wielded a gun and pointed it at the tellers. While the victim tellers were clearly prepared to give him the money he demanded, Dancy continued to threaten them, brandishing the weapon and shoving the gun into the ribcage of one teller who did not move fast enough. Dancy then mocked the tellers, saying "Got you again, bitches." This is not the first time that Dancy and Johnson have committed an armed robbery together. At the time Dancy robbed the Wachovia Bank on July 31, 2009, he and Johnson were both awaiting trial for the July 2007 armed robbery of a 7-Eleven convenience store.

On November 10, 2010, Dancy was convicted of conspiracy, armed bank robbery, and using and carrying a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence. Johnson was convicted at the same trial and was sentenced in May to 68 years imprisonment.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Alicia Freind and Nancy Beam Winter.