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## **ORLANDO MAN CONVICTED OF MULTIPLE ROBBERIES FACING LIFE IN PRISON**

Orlando, Florida - U.S. Attorney Robert E. O'Neill announces that a federal jury found Dominique Just Fields (23, Orlando) guilty yesterday of four counts of commercial robbery and four counts of using a firearm during the commission of a violent crime. Fields faces a minimum penalty of 85 years and a maximum of life in federal prison. His sentencing hearing is scheduled for July 20, 2011. Fields was indicted on January 26, 2011.

According to testimony presented at trial, beginning on April 30, 2010 to May 19, 2010, Fields and two other men wore masks and armed themselves with firearms when they robbed the El Padrino Mexican Restaurant and Bar in Kissimmee, Florida; a McDonald's in Orlando, Florida; a 7-11 in St. Cloud, Florida; and a Denny's restaurant in Winter Springs, Florida. When the armed gunmen entered the El Padrino, one fired a 9 mm Colt pistol. Employees at each of the restaurants were held at gunpoint and ordered to open cash registers and/or vaults. Customers were told to give up their cell phones and other personal belongings. On some occasions, the robbers pistol whipped the managers. On others, the robbers shoved guns into the managers' chests or pointed the guns at the employees heads and ordered them to open the registers. At the Denny's restaurant,

employees were shoved into the cooler after the robbers had taken a little less than \$1,000.

On May 28, 2010, a Maitland police officer initiated a traffic stop on Fields and the other two men with him. During the traffic stop, the officer discovered firearms and masks and arrested Fields and his partners. Detectives from Orange County and Seminole County later interviewed Fields, who admitted to his involvement in the robberies.

This case was investigated by multiple agencies - Orange County Sheriff's Office, Osceola County Sheriff's Office, Seminole County Sheriff's Office and the Kissimmee Police Department, all working with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Tanya Davis Wilson.