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Former Iowa City Man Sentenced to 151 Months in Prison for Conspiracy to Distribute Methamphetamine

DAVENPORT, IA – On July 28, 2014, Luis Chavez Preciado, age 28, was sentenced by United States District Judge John A. Jarvey to 151 months imprisonment for conspiracy to distribute at least 500 grams of a mixture or substance containing methamphetamine and 50 grams of actual methamphetamine, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. The defendant was also ordered to serve five years of supervised release following the imprisonment and to pay \$100 towards the Crime Victims Fund.

Beginning on approximately May 21, 2013 and continuing until about September 10, 2013, Preciado conspired with others to distribute ice methamphetamine in the Iowa City and Muscatine areas. On seven occasions during the above-mentioned period Preciado or his co-defendant, Nasra Lorette Fernandez Kury, sold ice methamphetamine directly to an undercover law enforcement officer. Preciado was aware of each of these transactions and was involved and assisted with many of them. As part of the investigation, law enforcement officers conducted a search of Preciado's Iowa City residence and seized 1,099 grams of ice methamphetamine, digital scales, a shotgun and ammunition, among other items.

This case was investigated by the Muscatine County Drug Task Force; Iowa Department of Public Safety-Division of Narcotics Enforcement; Johnson County Multijurisdictional Drug Task Force; Johnson County Sheriff's Office; Muscatine, Iowa, Police Department; Iowa City, Iowa, Police Department; and the United States Drug Enforcement Administration. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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