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## **WAYNE COUNTY MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO CONSPIRING TO MANUFACTURE MARIJUANA**

ROCHESTER, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Patrick Graham, 23, of Savannah, N.Y., pleaded guilty to conspiring with others to manufacture 100 or more marijuana plants before U.S. District Court Judge Charles J. Siragusa. The charge carries a minimum penalty of five years in prison, a maximum of 40 years, and a fine of \$2,000,000.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Everardo A. Rodriguez, who is handling the case, stated that Graham was involved in a conspiracy to grow and traffic marijuana in Wayne and Cayuga Counties. During the course of the investigation, two large marijuana grow locations were discovered in Wayne County. Graham participated in one of the grow operations at 11813 Wilson street, Wolcott, New York. On April 13, 2010, police executed a search warrant at the location and recovered 362 marijuana plants.

The plea is the result of an investigation conducted by the Wayne County Narcotics Enforcement Team under the direction of John Colella, Chief of the Town of Macedon Police Department and Robert Hetzke, Chief Deputy of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, the New York State Police, the Drug Enforcement Administration under the direction of Wilbert L. Plummer, Acting Special Agent in Charge, New York Field Division, and the Finger Lakes Drug Task Force, under the direction of Sgt. Roger Anthony.

Sentencing is scheduled for January 19, 2012 at 10:45 a.m. before Judge Siragusa.