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Methamphetamine Supplier from Honduras Sentenced to 198 Months

LONDON, Ky. — Wilmer Caballero-Lazo, 26, was sentenced Tuesday, to 198 months in federal prison, by United States District Judge Gregory F. Van Tatenhove, for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine. Caballero-Lazo is a citizen of Honduras.

Caballero-Lazo pleaded guilty to the methamphetamine charges in May of 2018. The investigation began as a search for stolen firearms and revealed that, between May of 2015 and September of 2016, Caballero-Lazo regularly delivered kilogram quantities of methamphetamine to large-scale drug dealers in the Laurel and Whitley County communities, including Brian Ellis, Richard Walker, Dustin Higginbotham, Michael Shane McCormick, Jr., and Lindsey Johnson. Each of those individuals have previously received federal sentences in connection with their criminal conduct.

Under federal law, Caballero-Lazo must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence. Caballero-Lazo will be deported back to Honduras following service of his sentence.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Stuart Lowrey, Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives Special Agent in Charge for the Louisville Field Division; and Chris Fultz, Manchester Police Chief, jointly made the announcement. The Drug Enforcement Administration, Kentucky State Police, London Police Department, Laurel County Sheriff's Office, Corbin Police Department, and the Marietta Cobb Smyrna Task Force in Georgia also assisted in the investigation. The United States was represented by Assistant United States Attorney Andrew H. Trimble.

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