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Mexican National Convicted of Conspiring to Distribute Cocaine and Money Laundering

LEXINGTON, Ky. - A Mexican National residing in Lexington was convicted today, by a federal jury sitting in Lexington, of two counts of conspiring to distribute cocaine and one count of conspiracy to commit money laundering.

After three hours of deliberations, following a three day-trial, the jury convicted 36-year-old Daniel Segura-Corro of conspiring to distribute five kilograms or more of cocaine, conspiring to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine, and conspiring to commit money laundering.

According to testimony at trial, in early 2015, Segura-Corro engaged in an agreement with other individuals from Mexico to distribute more than five kilograms of cocaine in the Lexington area. In August of 2015, several search warrants were executed by the Lexington Police Department, recovering approximately \$20,000 in cash and large quantities of cocaine, from his residence.

The evidence at trial established that Segura-Corro and other co-conspirators fled to Mexico, after the Lexington Police Department seized this cocaine. In mid-2018, the investigation led to several additional search warrants, where additional kilograms of cocaine were recovered. In July 2019, a search warrant was executed at Segura-Corro's apartment, resulting in the seizure of more than \$99,000 in drug proceeds. In the course of the investigation, \$188,000 in drug proceeds and seven kilograms of cocaine were seized. Segura-Corro was sending thousands of dollars of drug proceeds, by wire transfer, to his hometown of Vera Cruz, Mexico. Segura-Cora was ordered to forfeit the \$99,000 in drug proceeds.

Segura-Coro was indicted in February of 2020.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; James Robert Brown Jr., Special Agent in Charge, FBI Louisville Field Division; and Chief Lawrence Weathers, Lexington Police Department, jointly announced the conviction.

The investigation was conducted by FBI and the Lexington Police Department. The United States was represented in the case by Assistant U.S. Attorney Roger W. West.

Segura-Coro will appear for sentencing on September 4, 2020. He faces a mandatory minimum of 10 years, up to a maximum of life in prison. However, the Court must consider the

U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and the applicable federal statutes before imposing a sentence.

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