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Lexington Man Pleads Guilty to Bank Robbery

LEXINGTON, Ky. - A Lexington, Ky., man, Cheike Gueye, 35, pled guilty in federal court on Monday, before Chief U.S. District Judge Danny Reeves, to two counts of bank robbery.

According to his plea agreement, Gueye admitted that on December 11, 2019, he robbed both the Kentucky Bank and the Blue Grass Federal Savings and Loan, in Paris, Ky. Gueye admitted to entering the banks and passing tellers a note that instructed them to give him all the money in the drawers or he would kill everybody. Gueye also admitted to carrying a toy gun in the waistband of his pants and taking measures to make it visible to bank personnel. In total, Gueye took \$7,881.01 from the two banks.

Gueye was indicted in February 2020.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; James Robert Brown, Jr., Special Agent in Charge of the FBI, Louisville Field Division; J. "Butch" Best, Chief of the Paris Police Department; Michael Bosse, Chief of the Georgetown Police Department; and Tony Asbury, Bourbon County Sheriff, jointly announced the guilty plea.

The investigation was conducted by the FBI, Paris Police Department, Georgetown Police Department, and the Bourbon County Sheriff's Department. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Emily Greenfield.

Gueye is scheduled to be sentenced on October 2, 2020. He faces up to 20 years in prison for each count, and a maximum fine of \$250,000. However, any sentence will be imposed by the Court after its consideration of the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and the federal sentencing statutes.

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