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BROCKTON MAN SENTENCED FOR DRUG OFFENSES

BOSTON, MA - A Brockton man was sentenced yesterday in federal court to ten years in prison on federal drug charges.

United States Attorney Michael J. Sullivan; Timothy J. Cruz, Plymouth County District Attorney; Glenn N. Anderson, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives in New England; Colonel Mark F. Delaney, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police; and William K. Conlon, Chief of the Brockton Police Department, announced that **J.C. ANDERSON**, 30, formerly of 36 Cushing Avenue, Brockton, Massachusetts, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge George A. O'Toole to ten years in prison. On September 5, 2006, **ANDERSON** pleaded guilty to an Indictment charging him with one count of conspiracy to distribute over 50 grams of crack cocaine in Brockton. **ANDERSON** was arrested on August 25, 2005, on the charges has been in federal custody since that time.

At the earlier plea hearing, the prosecutor told the Court that, had the case proceeded to trial, the evidence would have proven that **ANDERSON** sold approximately one ounce of crack cocaine to a government cooperating witness on March 31, 2005 and again on April 8, 2005, outside of the Top Notch Cutz hair salon located at 553 Forest Avenue in Brockton. The crack sales were videotaped and recorded by Brockton Police Detectives and Special Agents from the ATF. **ANDERSON** lead a drug distribution conspiracy that involved other persons that assisted him in the sales.

ANDERSON, along with eight others, was arrested and charged as part of an on-going effort to reduce firearm-related violence in the Brockton area. The Plymouth County District Attorney's Office, the Brockton Police Department, along with the ATF, Massachusetts State Police and the U.S. Attorney's Office began an investigation in November 2005, in the Brockton area with the goal of reducing drug activity and the number of guns available on the streets of Brockton. As a result of that effort, a total of 7 guns as well as a significant amount of ammunition and crack cocaine were removed from the streets.

The cases were prosecuted as part of President Bush's Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative which makes prosecution of firearms cases a top priority. The Project Safe Neighborhood's Initiative provides a comprehensive, strategic approach to reducing gun violence in America. Since 2002, when the U.S. Attorney's Office implemented the Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative, eleven cities across the state, including Brockton, have joined in the

program.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Brockton Police Department, and the Massachusetts State Police. The U.S. Attorney would like to thank Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy Cruz's Office for their assistance in the investigations. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Glenn MacKinlay and Leah Foley in Sullivan's Major Crimes Unit.

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