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**Clinton Man Sentenced for Possessing Machine Guns**

Davenport, IA - On March 3, 2008, Carl LaVerne Foley, age 41, of Clinton, IA, was sentenced to six months imprisonment, having previously pleaded guilty to possessing four machine guns and one illegal short-barrel rifle, announced United States Attorney Matthew G. Whitaker. United States District Judge John A. Jarvey also ordered Foley to serve three years on supervised release following imprisonment and ordered him to pay an assessment of \$100 to the Crime Victim Fund.

Following several complaints from citizens that Foley, a licensed federal firearms dealer, was firing fully automatic machine guns at the Princeton, IA, public shooting range, federal agents and police served a search warrant at Foley's residence in Clinton, IA, finding a fully-automatic Browning M2 .50 caliber machine gun, the same type of heavy machine gun that has been in service with United States military forces since before World War 2.

Agents and police also found two British STEN submachine guns, a standard British Army submachine gun of World War 2. Additionally, agents found two Ruger .22 caliber rifles assembled together in motorized mount, which fired automatically via a joystick or button. Finally, agents found a 9mm MAC-11 with an illegal short barrel.

This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Iowa and investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Clinton Police Department, and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.