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RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIF., MAN ARRESTED ON FEDERAL FIREARMS VIOLATIONS

RIVERSIDE, Calif. -- John A. Torres, Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles Field Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco Firearms and Explosives (ATF), announced today that Charley William Ellison Jr. was arrested for National Firearms Act violations, possession of a firearm with obliterated serial number, and felon in possession of firearms.

“The warrant executed this morning is an outstanding example of a collaborative effort between ATF and the Riverside County Sheriff to make our cities safer,” said Torres. “Disarming individuals who are in illegal possession of firearms is a top priority for ATF. We are dedicated to keeping our streets safe by taking aggressive action against individuals like Ellison.”

A state search warrant was executed this morning by the ATF Riverside Field Office, along with the Riverside County Sheriff, at Ellison’s residence for alleged possession of firearms and hand grenades. Law enforcement officials recovered one AK-47 machine gun, one Mossberg 12-gauge short barrel shotgun, one .45-caliber pistol with obliterated serial number, two Marlin .22-caliber rifles, one Glock .45-caliber pistol, one Colt .32-caliber pistol, two fragmented grenades with fuses and no filler, one smoke grenade with fuse and no filler, one New England Arms shotgun and a large quantity of ammunition.

More information on ATF and its programs to reduce violent crime is at www.atf.gov.

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