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**BALTIMORE MAN SENTENCED TO OVER 17 YEARS IN PRISON
ON GUN CHARGE**

BALTIMORE, Maryland - Harold Greene, age 32, of Baltimore, was sentenced to 210 months in prison, followed by 3 years of supervised release for being a felon in possession of a firearm, announced United States Attorney for the District of Maryland Rod J. Rosenstein. Greene pled guilty on February 7, 2006, just one day before his jury trial was scheduled to begin.

According to the statement of facts provided to the court as part of the plea agreement, on July 9, 2005, Baltimore City Police officers traveling in the 1500 block of Abbotston observed Greene, in a light colored Oldsmobile, look in the direction of the officers and then quickly get out of the car, leaving both the driver's side door and window open. The officers then approached the light colored Oldsmobile and observed a 9mm Tanfoglio handgun in the open center console area of the vehicle. Greene was placed under arrest. A search of the vehicle revealed a black bag containing 84.91 grams of cocaine; a scale with suspected cocaine residue; approximately \$2,023 in cash; and various papers and documents in Greene's name.

United States Attorney Rod J. Rosenstein praised the investigative work performed by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Baltimore City Police Department. Mr. Rosenstein also thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney Christopher J. Romano, who prosecuted the case.