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## LOUISIANA MAN AND WOMAN PLEAD GUILTY TO FEDERAL GUN CHARGES

**NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA** - Jim Letten, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, and David G. Harper, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), announced today that before the Honorable Sarah S. Vance, **NISHEKA WEBB**, age 22, and **WAYNE C. JONES**, age 27, each entered a plea of guilty to two counts of a five count superseding indictment charging them with illegally obtaining an AK-47 style assault rifle at a local gun show on July 29, 2006, in violation of federal laws. **WEBB**, an employee of the NOPD (although not an officer), and **JONES** were charged in the multi-count indictment. **WEBB** and **JONES** pled guilty to count one charging them with conspiracy

to acquire a firearm on July 29, 2006, by providing a false statement to a federally licensed firearms dealer. **WEBB** pled guilty to count two charging her with purchasing a Romarm, 7.62 "AK-47" style rifle for **JONES**, by making the false statement on paperwork she filled out representing falsely that she was the actual purchaser of the gun. In addition to pleading guilty to count one, **JONES** pled guilty to count three charging him with possessing the firearm after its purchase at the gun show, which prohibits convicted felons from possessing firearms or ammunition.

Each defendant faces a maximum term of imprisonment of fifteen years, maximum fines of \$500,000 and a term of supervised release following imprisonment of three years. Judge Vance reserved her acceptance of each defendants' guilty plea, ordered a pre-sentence investigation and report for the court and set both defendant's sentencing for March 21, 2007. **JONES** was remanded back to jail and **WEBB** was allowed release, pending sentencing conditioned on her bond.

The case was investigated by agents for the Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Tony Gordon Sanders.

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