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TWO MEXICAN MEN INDICTED IN METH CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two Mexican men were indicted by a federal grand jury today for their participation in a conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine.

Carlos Alaniz-Montano, 27, and **Teodoro Orozco-Castillo**, 33, both of Mexico, were charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Alaniz-Montano** and **Orozco-Castillo** participated in a conspiracy to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine between Sept. 1 and Oct. 1, 2003.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Alaniz-Montano** and **Orozco-Castillo**, aiding and abetting others, were in possession of 50 grams or more of methamphetamine on Sept. 30, 2003.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael S. Oliver. It was investigated by the Kansas City Metropolitan Drug Task Force and the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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