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THREE INDICTED IN COCAINE & CRACK CONSPIRACIES AFTER NARCOTICS FOUND AT DAY CARE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that three Kansas City, Mo., residents were indicted by a federal grand jury today for conspiracy to distribute narcotics after law enforcement officers found drugs at a home day care.

Clifford E. Dorsey, 43, **Valeriece D. Ealom**, 34, and **Megashia C. Jackson**, 27, all of Kansas City, Mo., were charged in a 16-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City. Today's indictment replaces a federal criminal complaint filed against the defendants on Sept. 11, 2003.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that all three defendants participated in a conspiracy to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine in Kansas City, Mo., between Nov. 1, 2002, and Sept. 10, 2003.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that all three defendants participated in a conspiracy to distribute five kilograms or more of cocaine in Kansas City between Nov. 1, 2002, and Sept. 10, 2003.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Dorsey** attempted to possess with the intent to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine on March 7, 2003.

Counts Four, Six, Nine and Ten of the federal indictment allege that **Ealom** distributed crack cocaine on four separate occasions, on Aug. 22, Aug. 26, Sept. 4 and Sept. 10, 2003.

Counts Five, Seven and Eleven of the federal indictment allege that **Ealom** possessed with the intent to distribute five grams or more of crack cocaine on three separate occasions, on Aug. 22, Aug. 26, and Sept. 10, 2003.

Count Eight of the federal indictment alleges that **Dorsey** distributed five grams or more of crack cocaine in Kansas City on Aug. 26, 2003.

Count Twelve of the federal indictment alleges that **Dorsey** was in possession of cocaine with intent to distribute on Sept. 10, 2003.

Count Thirteen of the federal indictment alleges that **Dorsey** and **Jackson**, aiding and abetting each other, were in possession with the intent to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine on Sept. 10, 2003.

Count Fourteen of the federal indictment alleges that **Dorsey** and **Jackson**, aiding and abetting each other, were in possession with the intent to distribute marijuana on Sept. 10, 2003.

Count Fifteen of the federal indictment alleges that **Dorsey** and **Jackson**, aiding and abetting each other, were in possession with the intent to distribute crack cocaine on Sept. 10, 2003.

Count Sixteen is a forfeiture count, which would require **Dorsey** and **Jackson** to forfeit to the United States all property constituting and derived from the violations alleged in the indictment, including:

- * Approximately \$5,015 seized from **Dorsey** on March 7, 2003
- * A 1994 Lexus GS 300 that **Dorsey** was driving, which was seized on March 7, 2003
- * Approximately \$1,876 seized on Sept. 10, 2003, from **Dorsey**
- * A 1994 Cadillac seized from **Jackson** on Sept. 10, 2003
- * A 1993 Jeep Cherokee that **Dorsey** was driving, which was seized on Sept. 10, 2003
- * **Dorsey's** residence at 9719 S. Oakley, Kansas City, Mo.

Ealom was arrested on Sept. 10, 2003, Graves explained, when a search warrant was served on her residence at 2920 Wabash in Kansas City, Mo., which also housed a day care center under her supervision. Seven or eight children were found in and around the residence, Graves said, as well as a quantity of crack cocaine.

When law enforcement officers executed a search warrant at the residence, Graves said, they found approximately 30 grams of crack cocaine in a plastic bag in the pipes of the toilet and two grams of crack cocaine from an office area just inside the front door.

On the same day, law enforcement officers also executed a search warrant on **Dorsey's** home and vehicle. Officers found approximately 30 grams of crack cocaine inside the residence, Graves said, as well as a Taurus .380 caliber semi-automatic handgun with eight live rounds in the magazine. Officers also found a brown paper sack in the front passenger seat of the vehicle **Dorsey** was driving, which contained a plastic bag with approximately 125 grams of cocaine.

Prior to the execution of the search warrant at **Dorsey's** residence, Graves said, officers observed **Jackson** arrive in a gold Cadillac. She began carrying items from inside the residence out to the driveway and placing the items at the rear of the Cadillac, then opened the trunk and

placed some of the items inside the trunk of the Cadillac. After detaining **Jackson** in the front yard of the residence, officers searched a black trash bag that was sitting on the driveway just to the rear of the open trunk of the Cadillac, which contained approximately 1,100 grams of cocaine.

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 W. Brent Powell. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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