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TWO KC MEN INDICTED FOR POSSESSION, INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE CRACK COCAINE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two Kansas City, Mo., men were indicted by a federal grand jury today, in separate and unrelated cases, for possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.

* **Derone D. Gipson**, 22, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury today in Kansas City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Gipson** possessed with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine on Aug. 11, 2003.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kathleen D. Mahoney. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

* **Wesley A. Box**, 21, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury today in Kansas City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Box** possessed with intent to distribute 5 grams or more of crack cocaine on Aug. 20, 2003.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kathleen D. Mahoney. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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.

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 www.usdoj.gov/usao/mow