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MINNESOTA MAN SENTENCED FOR ATTEMPTING TO POSSESS WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE ABOUT 99 KILOS OF MARIJUANA

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Minnesota resident was sentenced in federal court today for attempting possess with an intent to distribute approximately 99 kilograms of marijuana.

Brodie W. Loeffler, 23, of Moorhead, Minn., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Scott O. Wright this morning to three years and five months in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Loeffler** to forfeit \$9,700 in proceeds obtained as a result of the federal law violation.

On Dec. 2, 2002, **Loeffler** pleaded guilty to a two-count indictment, which was returned by a federal grand jury on Aug. 6, 2002. By pleading guilty, **Loeffler** admitted that he attempted to possess with an intent to distribute approximately 99 kilograms of marijuana on July 13, 2002, in Kansas City.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney E. Eugene Harrison. The case was investigated by the 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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