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GRAND JURY INDICTS KC MAN FOR DISTRIBUTING COCAINE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for distributing cocaine on six separate occasions.

Ruben Miranda, 34, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in a six-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury this afternoon in Kansas City.

Counts One through Six of the federal indictment allege that **Miranda** distributed cocaine on six separate occasions from Oct. 4, 2002, to Feb. 20, 2003.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge 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 David M. Ketchmark. It was investigated by the Jackson County, Mo., Drug Task Force.

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