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JAMAICAN CITIZEN SENTENCED FOR ILLEGAL RE-ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Jamaican citizen was sentenced in federal court today for illegally re-entering the United States.

Everton Ugera Morrison, 30, of Jamaica, was sentenced by U.S. District Chief Judge Dean Whipple this morning to three years and five months in federal prison without parole.

On March 26, 2003, **Morrison** pleaded guilty to illegally re-entering the United States. **Morrison** was found in Greene County, Mo., on April 8, 2002, after previously being deported following a conviction for the transportation and sale of marijuana.

Morrison was originally charged with illegally re-entering the United States in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Jan. 22, 2003, in Springfield.

This case was investigated by the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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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