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KCK MAN SENTENCED FOR DISTRIBUTING METH

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Kan., man was sentenced in federal court today for distributing methamphetamine.

Sylvestre Sepulveda, 30, of Kansas City, Kan., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Scott O. Wright this afternoon to nine years in federal prison without parole.

On March 11, 2003, **Sepulveda** pleaded guilty to distributing 500 grams or more of methamphetamine.

By pleading guilty, Graves said, **Sepulveda** admitted that on Oct. 17, 2002, he was in possession of 1,362 grams of methamphetamine, which he intended to distribute to an undercover police officer. **Sepulveda** also admitted to selling methamphetamine on eight prior occasions between April 17, 2002 and Sept. 30, 2002. During that period, Graves said, **Sepulveda** sold a total of 1,339.04 grams of methamphetamine.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael S. Oliver. The case was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and 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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