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TWO KC MEN INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY TO DISTRIBUTE 500 GRAMS OR MORE OF 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 for conspiring to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine.

Robert H. Taylor, 30, and **William L. Williams**, 24, both of Kansas City, Mo., were charged in a four-count indictment returned today by a federal grand jury meeting in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Taylor** and **Williams** conspired to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine between June 2, 2003, and June 5, 2003.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Taylor** and **Williams** possessed with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine on June 5, 2003.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Williams** possessed with an intent to distribute five grams or more of crack cocaine on June 5, 2003.

Count Four of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count which would require **Taylor** to forfeit any proceeds or personal property derived as a result of Count One. The forfeiture would include approximately \$10,980 seized on June 5, 2003, during the execution of a search warrant at 5133 Franklyn in Kansas City.

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.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael S. Oliver. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department

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