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KC WOMAN SENTENCED FOR DISTRIBUTING ECSTASY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City woman was sentenced in federal court today for conspiring to distribute ecstasy.

Tri Thanh Thi Truong, 29, of Kansas City, Mo., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Ortrie D. Smith to three years and one month in federal prison without parole.

On Dec. 18, 2002, **Truong** pleaded guilty to conspiring to distribute ecstasy. By pleading guilty, she admitted that she conspired to distribute the methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA a/k/a “ecstasy”) between Nov. 6, 2001, and Jan. 3, 2002. She also admitted that she distributed ecstasy that also contained PCP and methamphetamine.

Truong was originally charged with conspiring to distribute ecstasy in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Sept. 10, 2002, in Kansas City.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney W. Brent Powell. It was investigated by the Metropolitan Methamphetamine Drug Task Force 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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