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***Grand Forks Man Sentenced for Theft of Firearms and  
Interstate Transportation of Stolen Firearms***

**FARGO** - United States Attorney Drew Wrigley announced that on July 15, 2008, **Kelly Ryu Stenstrum** of Grand Forks, North Dakota, was sentenced before United States District Court Judge Rodney S. Webb on charges of theft of firearms and interstate transportation of stolen firearms.

**Stenstrum**, 31, pleaded guilty on April 28, 2008, to three felony counts charging him with the theft of seven firearms from the home of Raymond Podell of Grand Forks and 33 firearms from the Home of Economy store in Grand Forks. Stenstrum entered the store from the roof top. He was later identified by store video and DNA analysis. Stenstrum took a number of the firearms across state lines and sold them in Wisconsin. Three of the firearms have been recovered in Wisconsin and two of the firearms were recovered pursuant to a search warrant at Stenstrum's residence in Grand Forks. The incidents occurred from April 2007 through July 2007 in the District of North Dakota.

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Judge Webb sentenced **Stenstrum** to 34 months' imprisonment and three years of supervised release. **Stenstrum** was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$5,000 to Home of Economy, \$11,694.78 to Cincinnati Insurance, and \$6,000 to Raymond Podell. **Stenstrum** was also ordered to pay a \$300 special assessment to the Crime Victim's Fund.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and the Grand Forks Police Department.

Assistant United States Attorney Keith Reisenauer prosecuted the case.

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