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## **INMATE CHARGED IN UNSUCCESSFUL ESCAPE ATTEMPT AT TERRE HAUTE**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that PATRICK G. HEAPS, 29, United States Penitentiary, Terre Haute, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for attempted escape, following an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

The indictment alleges that on or about the April 29, 2007, at the Federal Correctional Complex, in Terre Haute, in the Southern District of Indiana, PATRICK G. HEAPS, an inmate of the United States Penitentiary, Terre Haute, Indiana, did attempt to escape from said custody and confinement. The United States Penitentiary in Terre Haute opened in 1940 and there has never been a successful escape.

According to Assistant United States Attorney James M. Warden, who is prosecuting the case for the government, HEAPS faces a maximum possible prison sentence of five years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Terre Haute.

**The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.**

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