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INDIANAPOLIS METH TRAFFICKER SENTENCED

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that KRISTI KERN, 30, Indianapolis, Indiana, was sentenced to 188 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge John D. Tinder following her guilty plea to one count of conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine and one count of possession of body armor by a prohibited person. This case was the result of a four-month investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration and Indiana State Police that included wire surveillance over six cellular telephones.

KERN was a primary methamphetamine distributor for a methamphetamine distribution organization that distributed approximately 10 pounds of methamphetamine per month in the Indianapolis area between October, 2006 and January, 2007.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Bradley A. Blackington, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Tinder also imposed 5 years supervised release following KERN's release from imprisonment and a fine of \$300. KERN will be subjected to random urinalysis and random searches of her person, vehicle, and residence during her term of supervised release.

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