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DRUG TRAFFICKER SENTENCED TO OVER 32 YEARS

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, U. S. Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that ISAIAS RODERICO BARRIOS-LOPEZ, 32, Guatemala, was sentenced to 387 months imprisonment by U.S. District Judge David Hamilton. Judge Hamilton sentenced BARRIOS-LOPEZ to 327 months for a cocaine conspiracy, 240 months concurrent for illegal re-entry, and a consecutive sentence of 60 months for a firearms violation. This sentence is to be served consecutively to a three year sentence he is currently serving on a state conviction regarding criminal gang activity and a firearms violation. This case was the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and local law enforcement.

BARRIOS-LOPEZ was indicted by the government as the local leader of the 18th Street Gang, a Hispanic gang. The Court noted the lengthy sentence was based upon BARRIOS-LOPEZ's involvement in "guns, gangs, and drugs."

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Melanie Conour, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Hamilton also imposed a \$5,000 fine and 5 years supervised release following BARRIOS-LOPEZ's release from imprisonment.

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