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MAN SENTENCED FOR DRUG CONSPIRACY

MOBILE, Ala. - David Bernal-Mendoza ,44, of Mexico, was sentenced today in federal court to a term of 108 months for his participation in a methamphetamine distribution scheme. Bernal-Mendoza was identified as a source of supply for the drugs, which were sold to a confidential informant working for the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office. An ongoing investigation indicated that Bernal-Mendoza had connections to a drug trafficking organization in Atlanta, Georgia, and that he had distributed pounds of methamphetamine in Baldwin County through those connections.

Judge William H. Steele imposed the 108 month sentence this morning, and ordered that Bernal-Mendoza be turned over to immigration officials for deportation consideration following the completion of his sentence. Bernal-Mendoza was in the United States illegally during the time he was involved in the drug distribution conspiracy.

The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration's HIDTA Task Force and the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office. It was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office in Mobile.