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FORMER BORDER PATROL OFFICER SENTENCED

Jacksonville, FL - United States Attorney Robert E. O'Neill announced that U.S. District Judge Timothy J. Corrigan sentenced Tony "Hollywood" Henderson, yesterday, to six months of imprisonment, to be followed by four months home detention, for distributing approximately nine pounds of marihuana. Henderson, a former United States Border Patrol Officer, also faces two years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

On November 30, 2007, Henderson entered a plea of guilty to distributing three pounds of marihuana to a confidential informant for the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Testimony at Henderson's sentencing hearing revealed that Henderson sold approximately six pounds of marihuana to another individual in late 2003 or early 2004. This transaction occurred in the parking lot of a restaurant in Palatka, Florida. Henderson distributed the marihuana while he was in uniform and in his marked Border Patrol vehicle.

The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of the Inspector General, and Live Oak (Florida) Police Department. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Russell C. Stoddard and Donald J. Pashayan.