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BALTIMORE MAN SENTENCED FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING

BALTIMORE, Maryland - United States Attorney for the District of Maryland Rod J. Rosenstein announces that today U.S. District Court Judge Andre M. Davis sentenced Darnell Faulkner, age 34, of Baltimore, to 192 months in prison followed by 5 years of supervised release in connection with his guilty plea to possession with intent to distribute cocaine base.

According to the agreed statement of facts presented to the court on May 12, 2005, Baltimore City police officers searched the home on North Streeper Street in Baltimore on March 10, 2003, finding Faulkner in the home. The kitchen area contained over 300 net grams of cocaine base and materials used to manufacture cocaine base. The cocaine base was of distribution quantity and not for personal use or consumption.

This case was investigated by the Baltimore City Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney George L. Russell, III..