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ZWOLLE MAN SENTENCED ON FEDERAL DRUG CHARGES

Indictment a result of Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force investigation

Shreveport, Louisiana . . . ROBERT MONTGOMERY, age 31, of Zwolle, Louisiana, was sentenced this week by United States District Judge Donald E. Walter to **spend 120 months in prison** for drug trafficking, United States Attorney Donald W. Washington announced.

MONTGOMERY was indicted as the result of an investigation conducted by the Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF), a joint federal and state effort to dismantle major drug trafficking organizations. MONTGOMERY pleaded guilty in October 2007 to one count of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute cocaine and methamphetamine. A 16-month investigation by the OCDETF revealed that beginning in 2002 and continuing through July 2007, MONTGOMERY and two co-defendants, LELAND LEMOND CALHOUN and DANNY RAY LYNCH, were responsible for the distribution of multiple kilograms of cocaine in the Sabine Parish area.

CALHOUN and LYNCH are scheduled to be sentenced at a later date. Sentencing in federal court is determined by the discretion of federal judges and the governing statute. Parole has been abolished in the federal system.

This case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Shreveport Resident Agency, and the Sabine Parish Sheriff's Office, and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney James G. Cowles, Jr.

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