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## **Uncle and Nephew Pair Indicted in Series of Armed Robberies**

**(Alexandria, Virginia)** – Michael Gray, age 37, and his nephew, Dante Lorenzo Gray, age 22, both residents of Maryland, were indicted by a federal grand jury today for conspiracy, eight counts of robbery, and eight counts of using a firearm in connection with each of those robberies. Chuck Rosenberg, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia; Edgar A. Domenech, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), Washington Field Division; Charlie T. Deane, Chief of Police, Prince William County Police Department; David M. Rohrer, Chief of Police, Fairfax County Police Department; and, Melvin C. High, Chief of Police, Prince George's County Police Department, made the announcement. Both men face a maximum penalty of life in federal prison.

According to the indictment, the two men committed eight armed robberies of businesses located in Alexandria and Fairfax County, Virginia. Michael and Dante Gray also committed another 12 armed robberies in various jurisdictions in Maryland. All of the robberies took place between September 2006 and January 2007, and mainly targeted small businesses and franchises.

This case was investigated by the ATF, and the police departments of Fairfax and Prince William Counties, Virginia, and Prince George's County, Maryland. Assistant United States Attorneys Michael E. Rich and Stephanie Bibighaus Hammerstrom, and Special Assistant Stephanie Fleming are prosecuting the case on behalf of the United States.

Criminal indictments are only charges and not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed to be innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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