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**TEN-TIME FELON SENTENCED TO TWO YEARS AND SIX MONTHS
FOR TRAFFICKING IN CIGARETTES**

- Also sentenced for use of 59 counterfeit credit cards

CO-DEFENDANT SENTENCED TO TWO MONTHS HOME INCARCERATION

LOUISVILLE, KY - **Jerry Woodfork**, age 38, of 65335 Parnell, Chicago, Illinois, was sentenced on November 10, 2008, to 2 years and 6 months imprisonment, and **Kimberly F. Cox**, age 32, of 905 E. 76th Street, Chicago, Illinois, was sentenced on November 10, 2008, to 4 months imprisonment, credited for time served, and 2 months home incarceration, in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, for trafficking in contraband cigarettes and fraudulent use of a counterfeit access devices (credit cards) and conspiracy, U.S. Attorney David L. Huber of the Western District of Kentucky announced today. Charles R. Simpson, III, Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced Woodfork to 3 years supervised release following incarceration, and Cox to 2 years supervised release following incarceration. **There is no parole in the federal judicial system.** In addition, restitution in the amount of \$2,695.68 was imposed. Woodfork has ten prior felonies for possession of cocaine, heroin and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

U.S. Attorney Huber praised the Radcliff Police Department for the arrest, noting that the officers had alerted to the strong smell of marijuana from defendant's car when it was stopped for not using a seatbelt. The Radcliff officers observed the defendant not buckling his seatbelt as

they left a gas station.

On June 15, 2007, Radcliff Police stopped the car being driven by co-defendant Jerry Woodfork. Inside were 87 cartons of cigarettes which both defendants readily admitted they were taking to Chicago for resale. Also, 30 counterfeit credit cards and debit cards were found. That is, cards in which the electronic numbers did not match the numbers printed on the front of the card. At her plea, Cox admitted that on June 13, and 15, 2007, she and co-defendant Woodfork used counterfeit credit and debit cards (purchased on the streets of Chicago, Illinois) to purchase cigarettes in relatively low tax states such as Kentucky and Indiana, sell the cigarettes in Chicago, a higher cigarette tax area. Neither Cox nor Woodfork have a license from the Illinois Department of Revenue to sell cigarettes in Illinois and the vendors who sold them the cigarettes were defrauded of the full purchase price by their use of counterfeit credit and debit cards. The false credit cards were also used to purchase \$4,300 of computers and computer games. Woodfork pleaded guilty to the charges on August 11, 2008, and Cox pleaded guilty to the charges on September 3, 2008.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Randy Ream, and it was investigated by the United States Secret Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

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