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## ELEVEN SUBJECTS INDICTED AND ARRESTED ON MURDER FOR HIRE CHARGES, VIOLATIONS OF FEDERAL FIREARMS AND NARCOTICS LAWS

ROANOKE, Va. -- United States Attorney John L. Brownlee, Western District of Virginia, announced the arrests of eleven people in the Winchester, Virginia, area for violations of federal firearms and narcotics laws. The subjects were arrested as a result of indictments and criminal complaints returned after a six-month undercover investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), and the Northwest Regional Drug Task Force (Winchester, VA), into the distribution of narcotics and firearms in the Winchester area.

William Carroll, aka "Tony," 40, of 391 Welltown Road, Winchester, Virginia, was indicted on charges, including interstate murder for hire, two counts of possession/use of a firearm during and in relation to a drug trafficking / violent crime, possessing/transferring a Title II firearm, distribution of cocaine, and conspiracy to distribute cocaine.

William Russell Carroll, aka "Rusty," 18, of the Welltown Road address, was indicted on charges of conspiracy to commit interstate murder for hire and the illegal manufacture of a Title II firearm.

Karen S. James, 40, of 39 Sommerville Ave, Cumberland, Maryland, was indicted on charges of conspiracy to commit interstate murder for hire.

Charles Currington, 31, of 205 Wool Card Lane, Winchester, Virginia, was indicted on charges of distribution of cocaine and conspiracy to distribute cocaine.

John Sherman Floyd, 31, of 205 Wool Card Lane, Winchester, Virginia, was indicted on charges of distribution of cocaine and conspiracy to distribute cocaine.

Jose Jesus Rodriguez-Garcia, 25, Aleida Llama Arellano, 21, Fillimon Llama-Ramirez, all of White Post, Virgina, along with Heriberto Duran Calderon, 27, of Leesburg, Virginia, Theodore Robert Godfrey, 34, and Richard Woodward, 29, of Winchester, Virginia, were arrested on a federal complaint and charged with distribution of cocaine and conspiracy to distribute cocaine.

The U.S. Marshals Service and the Cumberland Maryland Police Department also assisted in this investigation, which resulted in the seizure and recovery of 15 firearms, 3.5 kilograms of cocaine, more than \$40,000 in U.S. currency, and the seizure of 7 vehicles. The case is being prosecuted out of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia.

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