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NITRO UPDATE

IOWA MAN SENTENCED FOR TRANSPORTING MOLOTOV COCKTAIL IN ATCHISON COUNTY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Hamburg, Iowa, man was sentenced in federal court today for transporting a Molotov cocktail across state lines into Missouri. Today's sentencing, Graves explained, is the result of work completed by NITRO.

Larry Vernon Galloway, Jr., 26, of Hamburg, Iowa, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Gary A. Fenner this afternoon to two years and six months in federal prison without parole.

On June 18, 2004, **Galloway** pleaded guilty to transporting an explosive device, known commonly as a Molotov cocktail, across state lines with the intent to unlawfully damage a vehicle. **Galloway** admitted that he transported the explosive device between Nov. 1, 2003, and Dec. 31, 2003, in Atchison County, Mo.

Two other co-defendants also have pleaded guilty in this case.

Christopher R. Raudales, 19, and **Timothy S. Binau**, 34, both of Hamburg, Iowa, pleaded guilty to the same charge on June 2 and 14, 2004, respectively. **Raudales** was sentenced on Oct. 21, 2004, to six months of home detention. **Binau's** sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of a presentence investigation by the United States Probation office.

The co-defendants were originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Jan. 27, 2004, in Kansas City.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Bruce Rhoades. It was investigated by the Atchison County, Mo., Sheriff's Department, the Hamburg, Iowa, Police Department, the

Fremont County, Iowa, Sheriff's Department and NITRO. NITRO is the Northwest Missouri Interagency Team Response Operation, a joint law enforcement effort by the United States Attorney's Office and federal, state and local law enforcement agencies in the 16-county region.

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