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OPERATION RAW DEAL DEFENDANT
SENTENCED FOR STEROIDS

SAVANNAH, GA: Edmund A. Booth, Jr., United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, announced today that David Paul Jack was sentenced in U.S. District Court in Brunswick by U.S. District Judge Anthony A. Alaimo on December 18, 2007 on his conviction for Conspiracy to Distribute and Possess with Intent to Distribute Anabolic Steroids under 21 U.S.C. § 846.

Booth noted that Jack's conviction was a result of an international investigation targeting the sale and purchase of illegal steroid products. Dubbed operation "Raw Deal," the investigation involves the cooperative efforts of the Food and Drug Administration's Office of Criminal Investigations ("FDA"), the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI"), and the Drug Enforcement Agency ("DEA") in the fight against the illegal importation of raw steroid materials from manufacturers in China. Raw Deal also targets the purchasers and underground steroid labs which process the powder steroid material into a consumable form such as pills and injectable liquid.

Jack, age 32, a resident of Homosassa, Florida, was sentenced to 48 months incarceration and three years of supervised release on his conviction for participation in a conspiracy to distribute illegal steroids from Florida into Georgia.

Booth praised the combined efforts of Special Agents David Westall and Michelle Ciolek of the FDA, the FDA offices in Atlanta, Georgia, Special Agent Mark A. Alig of the FBI office in Brunswick, Georgia, the United States Postal Service, and the Glynn County, Georgia Narcotics task force which led to the indictment and successful conclusion of the prosecution.

The government is represented by Assistant United States Attorneys Brian F. McEvoy and James D. Durham.

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