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FREEPORT MAN SENTENCED TO 13 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ILLEGALLY DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE

ROCKFORD -- PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois; RICHARD W. SANDERS, Special Agent-In-Charge of the Chicago Office of the Drug Enforcement Administration; ROBERT D. GRANT, Special Agent-In-Charge of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; LARRY G. TRENT, Director of the Illinois State Police; DAVID SNYDERS, Stephenson County Sheriff; and JERRY WHITMORE, Chief of the Freeport Police Department, today made the following announcement:

United States District Judge Philip G. Reinhard today sentenced **DARRELL SCOTT**, 29 (DOB: 5/21/76), formerly of 438 East State Street, Freeport, Illinois, to 156 months in federal prison without parole for distributing "crack" cocaine. In addition to his prison sentence, the Court ordered Scott to serve 5 years of supervised release following his release from prison, and ordered Scott to repay \$1,500 to the DEA used as "buy money."

Scott pleaded guilty to the charge on August 4, 2005. In pleading guilty, Scott admitted that on July 16, 2003, in Freeport, he sold 51.8 grams of crack cocaine. Scott admitted that on July 16, 2003, he agreed to sell an individual approximately two ounces of crack cocaine. Later that same day, Scott met and provided the individual with a plastic bag containing approximately one ounce of crack cocaine. Scott left and returned a short time later with more crack cocaine, selling the individual a total of 51.8 grams of crack cocaine.

The case was investigated by Rockford offices of the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Illinois State Police, the Stephenson County Sheriff's Department, and the Freeport Police Department. The case was prosecuted in federal court by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph C. Pedersen.

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