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CAPTURED FUGITIVE AND ASSOCIATES INDICTED ON HEROIN DISTRIBUTION CONSPIRACY CHARGES

NEWARK, N.J. – A Newark-based alleged drug dealer and two of his associates were indicted yesterday by a Grand Jury for their roles in a heroin organization which distributed kilogram-quantities of heroin in Newark and southern New Jersey, United States Attorney Paul J. Fishman announced.

The Indictment charges Enrique Done, 35, of Newark, New Jersey; Juan Rivera, 33, of East Orange, New Jersey; and Itza Paredes, 36, of Newark, New Jersey with heroin distribution conspiracy.

Enrique Done was captured April 16, 2010, by the United States Marshals Service after being placed on their 15 Most Wanted Fugitives list less than a month before. The charges against Enrique Done arose out of a case investigated by the New Jersey Division of the United States Drug Enforcement Administration ("DEA").

Enrique Done and Rivera were previously charged in a June 2009 Complaint which alleged, among other things, that Enrique Done was running an organization which obtained heroin through various sources, including couriers who transported narcotics into the United States from the Dominican Republic. Rivera is described as an associate of Enrique Done's who, among other duties in the organization, would transport supplies of heroin for Enrique Done by the use of a hidden trap in his vehicle.

Four additional alleged associates of Enrique Done's heroin trafficking organization were charged in the June 2009 criminal Complaint. Enrique Done allegedly helped his brother Juan Carlos Done, himself under federal Indictment in New Jersey, with the distribution of kilogram-quantities of cocaine. The Indictment against Juan Carlos Done is pending. Of the three other defendants charged with Enrique Done, two, Luis Corporan and Martin Monsegur, have pleaded guilty; the Complaint against Christopher Peralta is pending.

Paredes, Enrique Done's common-law wife, was also previously charged with heroin distribution conspiracy in a separate, November 2009 Complaint. According to that Complaint, Enrique Done learned that he was being watched by law enforcement in May 2009, and he and Paredes arranged to move heroin and drug proceeds from places where the police might find them to a stash location which the organization controlled in Newark.

Enrique Done, Rivera, and Paredes are scheduled to be arraigned on May 5, 2010, before

Judge Jose L. Linares. All three defendants face a minimum potential sentence of 10 years in prison and a maximum potential sentence of life in prison if convicted on the heroin distribution conspiracy charge contained in the Indictment.

In determining an actual sentence, Judge Linares would consult the advisory United States Sentencing Guidelines, which provide appropriate sentencing ranges that take into account the severity and characteristics of the offense, the defendant's criminal history, if any, and other factors. The judge, however, is not bound by those guidelines in determining the sentence. Parole has been abolished in the federal system. Defendants who are given custodial terms must serve nearly all that time.

U.S. Attorney Fishman credited the DEA with the investigation of this case, and the United States Marshals Service for their apprehension of Enrique Done.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Robert Frazer of the United States Attorney's Office Criminal Division.

The charges and allegations pending against all the named defendants are merely accusations, and the defendants are considered innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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