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MADISON MAN SENTENCED TO 84 MONTHS FOR CONSPIRING TO SELL CRACK COCAINE

Madison, Wis. - Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Scorpio Robinson, 22, Madison, Wis., was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara Crabb to 84 months in prison without parole for conspiring to sell crack cocaine. This term of imprisonment will be followed by five years of supervised release. Robinson pleaded guilty to this charge on February 17, 2010.

Between July 10, 2009 and August 4, 2009, an undercover police officer placed several phone calls to Scorpio Robinson to arrange drug transactions. On July 10, July 13, July 17, and July 24, Robinson had Christopher Tibbs deliver crack cocaine to the undercover officer. On July 22 and July 31, Robinson had Alphonso Randall deliver the drugs to the undercover officer. Robinson was on electronic monitoring during this time frame and couldn't leave his home, which is why he had other people make the deliveries for him.

Robinson's sentence was increased because he possessed two firearms in connections with his drug trafficking and because Judge Crabb found him to be an organizer or leader of the conspiracy.

Tibbs was sentenced yesterday to seven years in prison for his role in this conspiracy, along with being an accessory after a bank robbery. Randall is scheduled to be sentenced on April 30.

The charges against Robinson were the result of an investigation conducted by the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force and Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.