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## HUNTINGTON MAN SENTENCED TO PRISON ON FEDERAL DRUG CHARGE

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. – Keival L. Kelly, 27, of Huntington was sentenced today to 35 months in prison by United States District Judge Robert C. Chambers on federal drug charges. Kelly pleaded guilty in January, admitting that he sold cocaine base to a confidential informant. On Sept. 23, 2009, Kelly met an informant working with the Huntington Violent Crime and Drug Task Force at an area gas station to complete a prearranged drug transaction. The defendant further admitted that after meeting the informant at the gas station, he got inside of the informant's vehicle and traveled back to his residence to complete the transaction. Kelly admitted to selling a quantity of crack cocaine to the informant, which in fact, was the same amount that the defendant had obtained from his source of supply earlier that day. The crack cocaine was tested at the West Virginia State Police Forensic Laboratory with positive results and weighed 2.65 grams.

This case was investigated by the Huntington Violent Crime and Drug Task Force. Assistant United States Attorney Gregory McVey handled the prosecution.

This case is being brought as part of Weed & Seed. In 1991, the Department of Justice established Weed & Seed which is administered by the Community Capacity Development Office (CCDO). Weed & Seed utilizes a community-based, multi-agency approach to law enforcement, crime prevention and neighborhood restoration to better control violent crime, drug trafficking and drug-related crime in designated high-crime neighborhoods and to provide a safe environment for residents. The Fairfield area in the City of Huntington is a Weed & Seed Community (WSC). For more information about cases and related activities please visit <u>http://www.justice.gov/usao/wvs/</u> or <u>http://www.htngweedandseed.com/index.html</u> and <u>http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo/ws/welcome.html</u>.

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## **MILTON MAN SENTENCED ON FEDERAL COUNTERFEIT MONEY CHARGE**

## Defendant Targeted Area Fast-food Chains in Counterfeiting Scheme

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. – Joseph T. Duffield, 22, of Milton, West Virginia, was sentenced to three years probation by United States District Judge Robert C. Chambers for uttering counterfeit currency. Duffield admitted that on or about February 8, 2009, he attempted to pass a counterfeit \$100 bill at a McDonald's restaurant in Huntington. The defendant also admitted that he knowingly intended to purchase food with counterfeit money to receive genuine currency as change. At the time of the offense, law enforcement with the Huntington Police Department conducted a search of Duffield's vehicle at the fast food restaurant that revealed 33 additional counterfeit \$100 bills and one counterfeit \$20 bill. Duffield also passed counterfeit money at fast food restaurants on several other occasions in the Milton and Barboursville areas. At sentencing, the Court ordered Duffield to pay a \$5,000 fine. This case was investigated by the Huntington Police Department. Assistant United States Attorney Thomas Ryan handled the prosecution.