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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
STATESBORO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	INDICTMENT NO. CR 6:24-10
)	
v.	)	21 U.S.C. § 846
	)	Conspiracy to Possess With
ROBERT HARRIS,	)	Intent to Distribute and to
a/k/a "MESSIAH,"	)	Distribute Controlled Substances
a/k/a "DEAN,")	
KELVIN ROGERS,	)	21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)
a/k/a "GANGSTA,"	)	Possession of Controlled
QUINTON SAMPLES,	)	Substances With Intent to
a/k/a "JR.,"	)	Distribute
THOMAS COTHRAN,)	
a/k/a "SHOOTA,"	)	21 U.S.C. § 843(b)
a/k/a "TEE,"	)	Unlawful Use of Communication
QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES,	)	Facility
a/k/a "PEEWEE,")	
QUINESHA OLIVER,	)	<u>FILED UNDER SEAL</u>
TRISTAHN ASH,)	
a/k/a "MOHAWK," and)	
DAVID WILLIAMS)	

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

INTRODUCTION

At all times material to this Indictment:

1. Defendants **ROBERT HARRIS**, a/k/a "MESSIAH," a/k/a "DEAN;" **KELVIN ROGERS**, a/k/a "GANGSTA;" and **THOMAS COTHRAN**, a/k/a "SHOOTA," a/k/a "TEE," were in the continuous custody of the Georgia Department of Corrections.

2. Defendant **QUINTON SAMPLES**, a/k/a "JR.," was in the continuous custody of the Georgia Department of Corrections until March 10, 2022.

3. Defendants **QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES, a/k/a “PEEWEE,”** and **QUINESHA OLIVER,** who are the siblings of **QUINTON SAMPLES, a/k/a “JR.,”** were at no time in the custody of the Georgia Department of Corrections but were in contact with various co-defendants during the pendency of the conspiracy and committed acts in furtherance of such.

4. Defendant **TRISTAHN ASH, a/k/a “MOHAWK,”** had been in the custody of the Georgia Department of Corrections prior to the start of the indictment, was released on August 5, 2020, and reentered the custody of the Georgia Department of Corrections on May 11, 2023.

COUNT ONE

*Conspiracy to Possess With Intent to Distribute and
to Distribute Controlled Substances (Methamphetamine and Marijuana)*

21 U.S.C. § 846

Paragraphs 1-4 are realleged as if fully set forth here. Beginning on a date at least as early as August 9, 2020, and continuing up to and including the return date of this Indictment, the precise dates being unknown, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, and elsewhere, the defendants,

ROBERT HARRIS, a/k/a “MESSIAH,” a/k/a “DEAN,”
KELVIN ROGERS, a/k/a “GANGSTA,”
QUINTON SAMPLES, a/k/a “JR.,”
THOMAS COTHRAN, a/k/a “SHOOTA,” a/k/a “TEE,”
QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES, a/k/a “PEEWEE,”
QUINESHA OLIVER, and
TRISTAHN ASH, a/k/a “MOHAWK,”

with some joining the conspiracy earlier and others joining later, did knowingly and intentionally combine, conspire, confederate, and agree together and with each other,

and with others known and unknown, to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute marijuana, a Schedule I controlled substance, and 500 grams or more of a mixture containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 846.

COUNT TWO

Possession of a Controlled Substance With Intent to Distribute (Methamphetamine and Marijuana)

21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)

On or about August 29, 2021, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**QUINESHA OLIVER and
QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES, a/k/a “PEEWEE,”**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute marijuana, a Schedule I controlled substance, and 500 grams or more of a mixture containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1) and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT THREE
Unlawful Use of Communication Facility
21 U.S.C. § 843(b)

On or about August 27, 2021, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**ROBERT HARRIS, a/k/a “MESSIAH,” a/k/a “DEAN, and
QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES, a/k/a “PEEWEE,”**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally use a communication facility in committing, causing, and facilitating the conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute controlled substances, as alleged in Count One of this Indictment, and possession of controlled substances with intent to distribute, as alleged in Count Two of this Indictment, by corresponding via cellphone, which correspondence included but was not limited to the following messages:

Harris to Quintaveus Samples
Time: 8/27/2021 at 4:00:51 AM (UTC)
Body: Friday gotta be after dark won't be able to get it until kitchen help go out or breakfast Saturday could be anytime morning or night

...

Quintaveus Samples to Harris
Time: 8/27/2021 at 4:01:59 AM (UTC)
Body: Ok

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b) and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT FOUR

Unlawful Use of Communication Facility
21 U.S.C. § 843(b)

On or about August 27, 2021, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**QUINTON SAMPLES, a/k/a “JR.,” and
QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES, a/k/a “PEEWEE,”**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally use a communication facility in committing, causing, and facilitating the conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute controlled substances, as alleged in Count One of this Indictment, and possession of controlled substances with intent to distribute, as alleged in Count Two of this Indictment, by corresponding via cellphone, which correspondence included but was not limited to the following messages:

Quinton Samples to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 8/27/2021 at 11:11:45 PM (UTC)

Body:

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All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b) and Title 18,
United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT FIVE
Unlawful Use of Communication Facility
21 U.S.C. § 843(b)

From on or about August 28, 2021, to on or about August 29, 2021, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**KELVIN ROGERS, a/k/a “GANGSTA,” and
QUINESHA OLIVER,**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally use a communication facility in committing, causing, and facilitating the conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute controlled substances, as alleged in Count One of this Indictment, and possession of controlled substances with intent to distribute, as alleged in Count Two of this Indictment, by corresponding via cellphone, which correspondence included but was not limited to the following messages:

Oliver to Rogers
Time: 8/28/2021 at 5:44:06 AM (UTC)
Body: Let me know when the door pop
...

Rogers to Oliver
Time: 8/28/2021 at 6:51:06 AM (UTC)
Body: They just popped the door
...

Rogers to Oliver
Time: 8/28/2021 at 11:04:18 PM (UTC)
Body: Take those slides out the pack baby, we can wait on all clothes
...

Rogers to Oliver
Time: 8/29/2021 at 11:00:39 AM (UTC)
Body: What's up baby are y'all ok

Rogers to Oliver

Time: 8/29/2021 at 1:01:56 PM (UTC)

Body: They just locked your brother up this morning. L building was a bad idea, nigga telling everything clearly

Rogers to Oliver

Time: 8/29/2021 at 1:07:209 PM (UTC)

Body: Can y'all please lmk y'all ok?

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b) and Title 18,
United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT SIX

Unlawful Use of Communication Facility
21 U.S.C. § 843(b)

From on or about August 28, 2021, to on or about August 29, 2021, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**KELVIN ROGERS, a/k/a “GANGSTA,” and
QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES, a/k/a “PEEWEE,”**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally use a communication facility in committing, causing, and facilitating the conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute controlled substances, as alleged in Count One of this Indictment, and possession of controlled substances with intent to distribute, as alleged in Count Two of this Indictment, by corresponding via cellphone, which correspondence included but was not limited to the following messages:

Rogers to Quintaveus Samples
Time: 8/28/2021 at 7:17:13 AM (UTC)
Body: So when y'all plan on coming bro?

Quintaveus Samples to Rogers
Time: 8/28/2021 at 7:20:21 AM (UTC)
Body: Tomorrow

Rogers to Quintaveus Samples
Time: 8/28/2021 at 7:20:49 (UTC)
Body: Word say less

...

Rogers to Quintaveus Samples
Time: 8/29/2021 at 11:39:31 AM (UTC)
Body: What's up bro, y'all str8 shawty?

Rogers to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 8/29/2021 at 1:01:12 PM (UTC)

Body: They just locked your brother up this morning

Rogers to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 8/29/2021 at 2:17:18 PM (UTC)

Body: Can y'all please lmk y'all ok?

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b) and Title 18,
United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT SEVEN
Unlawful Use of Communication Facility
21 U.S.C. § 843(b)

From on or about August 28, 2021, to on or about August 29, 2021, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**ROBERT HARRIS, a/k/a “MESSIAH,” a/k/a “DEAN,” and
QUINESHA OLIVER,**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally use a communication facility in committing, causing, and facilitating the conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute controlled substances, as alleged in Count One of this Indictment, and possession of controlled substances with intent to distribute, as alleged in Count Two of this Indictment, by corresponding via cellphone, which correspondence included but was not limited to the following messages:

Harris to Oliver
Time: 8/28/2021 at 11:14:42 PM (UTC)
Body:
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...

Harris to Oliver

Time: 8/29/2021 at 8:56:16 AM (UTC)

Body: They letting us out now give me ten minutes then I'ma call u

Harris to Oliver

Time: 8/29/2021 at 9:12:00 AM (UTC)

Body: It's a go baby

Oliver to Harris

Time: 8/29/2021 at 9:12:25 AM (UTC)

Body: Ok we coming

Harris to Oliver

Time: 8/29/2021 at 9:16:16 AM (UTC)

Body: Super sweet baby

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b) and Title 18,

United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT EIGHT
Unlawful Use of Communication Facility
21 U.S.C. § 843(b)

On or about August 9, 2020, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**THOMAS COTHRAN, a/k/a “SHOOTA,” a/k/a “TEE,” and
QUINESHA OLIVER,**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally use a communication facility in committing, causing, and facilitating the conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute controlled substances, as alleged in Count One of this Indictment, by corresponding via cellphone, which correspondence included but was not limited to the following messages:

Cothran to Oliver

Time: 8/9/2020 at 4:40:20 PM (UTC)

Body: U get that drone and go praxtixe wit it bae,and learn the layout of dis mf,I'll let u xum make it happen bae,and dats only bexause I trust u,and nobody else bae

...

Oliver to Cothran

Time: 8/9/2020 at 4:49:07 PM (UTC)

Body: Ok baby

...

Cothran to Oliver

Time: 8/9/2020 at 4:54:15 PM (UTC)

Body: Bae we also need a release kit to go on there and a intenor extender

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b) and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT NINE

Unlawful Use of Communication Facility
21 U.S.C. § 843(b)

From on or about August 10, 2020, to on or about January 15, 2021, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**QUINTON SAMPLES, a/k/a “JR.,” and
QUINESHA OLIVER,**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally use a communication facility in committing, causing, and facilitating the conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute controlled substances, as alleged in Count One of this Indictment, by corresponding via cellphone, which correspondence included but was not limited to the following messages:

Quinton Samples to Oliver
Time: 8/10/2020 at 3:59:57 AM (UTC)
Body: Call me bra dam

Oliver to Quinton Samples
Time: 8/10/2020 at 4:00:18 AM (UTC)
Body: Hold on tee on the phone

Quinton Samples to Oliver
Time: 8/10/2020 at 4:01:53 AM (UTC)
Body: When his folks talking bout coming to get his do he still want me put the shit on rhere

Oliver to Quinton Samples
Time: 8/10/2020 at 4:04:26 AM (UTC)
Body: He asking what the software shit do

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 8/10/2020 at 4:05:40 AM (UTC)

Body: It make it fly over the prison if u don't put it on there the drone gone crash they got drone blockers Down here

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 8/22/2020 at 1:11:23 AM (UTC)

Body: Text the white dude and tell him you will cash app him the \$150 for the info on how to disable the no fly zone

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 8/22/2020 at 1:35:46 AM (UTC)

Body: Just go get the drone tomorrow we gone wait into tomorrow

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 8/22/2020 at 6:06:16 PM (UTC)

Body: Yea take it over there I was just tryna see it fly in the no fly zone if not we doing this shit for nothing

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 8/30/2020 at 9:07:16 PM (UTC)

Body: This where u gone be flying from

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 8/30/2020 at 9:07:39 PM (UTC)

Body: And this where u gone get out the car and walk to it at

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 9/2/2020 at 5:44:23 AM (UTC)

Body: We can use that drone Tee them got he said fuck it

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver
Time: 9/5/2020 at 6:36:10 PM (UTC)
Body: Is u goin to get the camera fixed

Oliver to Quinton Samples
Time: 9/5/2020 at 6:53:07 PM (UTC)
Body: Yeah

Quinton Samples to Oliver
Time: 9/5/2020 at 7:40:09 PM (UTC)
Body: Get it done Quinesha

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver
Time: 9/27/2020 at 4:18:04 PM (UTC)
Body: We can pop with the drone now to our spot ready

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver
Time: 11/4/2020 at 5:00:39 PM (UTC)
Body: Can I get my folks to drop the drone off round 1 2 o'clock

Oliver to Quinton Samples
Time: 11/4/2020 at 5:04:27 PM (UTC)
Body: Yeah

...

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 12/28/2020 at 1:04:59 AM (UTC)

Body:

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...

Oliver to Quinton Samples

Time: 12/31/2020 at 11:55:07 PM (UTC)

Body: This man doing 95 and shit I keep saying slow down we got all these damn drugs in the car

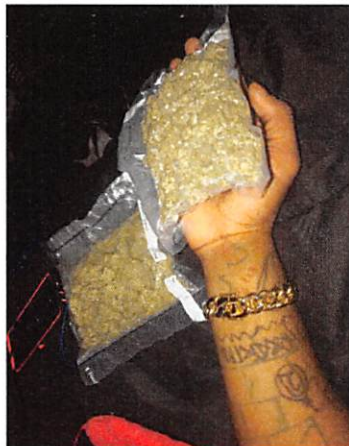
...

Oliver to Quinton Samples

Time: 1/3/2021 at 5:33:41 PM (UTC)

Body:

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...

Quinton Samples to Oliver

Time: 1/15/2021 at 11:10:40 PM (UTC)

Body: Did u go get the drone from grandma house

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b) and Title 18,

United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT TEN

Unlawful Use of Communication Facility
21 U.S.C. § 843(b)

From on or about October 17, 2021, to on or about October 25, 2021, in Tattnall County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**QUINTON SAMPLES, a/k/a “JR.,” and
QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES, a/k/a “PEEWEE,”**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally use a communication facility in committing, causing, and facilitating the conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute controlled substances, as alleged in Count One of this Indictment, by corresponding via cellphone, which correspondence included but was not limited to the following messages:

Quinton Samples to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 10/17/2021 at 7:41:58 PM (UTC)

Body: A lil bra buddy folks at the other prison finna hit u in minute see what he talk bout when he call

...

Quinton Samples to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 10/19/2021 at 7:47:55 PM (UTC)

Body: Call me don't worry bout the bookbag we need a vacuum sealed machine from Walmart and some vacuum sealed bags

...

Quinton Samples to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 10/24/2021 at 2:17:49 AM (UTC)

Body:

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...

Quinton Samples to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 10/24/2021 at 5:46:29 PM (UTC)

Body: Did u call quinesha

Quintaveus Samples to Quinton Samples

Time: 10/24/2021 at 5:46:51 PM (UTC)

Body: Yeah she said she was on her way

...

Quinton Samples to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 10/25/2021 at 1:56:23 AM (UTC)

Body: We not flying from there I got a new spot

Quintaveus Samples to Quinton Samples

Time: 10/25/2021 at 1:56:00 AM (UTC)

Body: Ok send me a better picture of the spot

Quinton Samples to Quintaveus Samples

Time: 10/25/2021 at 1:58:09 AM (UTC)

Body:

Attachment:



All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 843(b) and Title 18,
United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT ELEVEN

Possession of a Controlled Substance With Intent to Distribute (Methamphetamine)
21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)

On or about August 14, 2022, in Telfair County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**TRISTAHN ASH, a/k/a “MOHAWK,” and
DAVID WILLIAMS,**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of a mixture containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1) and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.

COUNT TWELVE

Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime
18 U.S.C. § 924(c)

On or about August 14, 2022, in Telfair County, within the Southern District of Georgia, the defendants,

**TRISTAHN ASH, a/k/a “MOHAWK,” and
DAVID WILLIAMS,**

aided and abetted by each other and by others known and unknown, did knowingly possess a firearm, to wit, a TİSAŞ Zigana nine millimeter caliber handgun, in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime for which they may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, to wit, possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute, as alleged in Count Eleven of this Indictment.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c) and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.

FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS

The allegation contained in Count One of this Indictment is hereby re-alleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeitures pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853.

Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, upon conviction of any offense in violation of Title 21, United States Code set forth in this Indictment, Defendants,

**ROBERT HARRIS, a/k/a “MESSIAH,” a/k/a “DEAN,”
KELVIN ROGERS, a/k/a “GANGSTA,”
QUINTON SAMPLES, a/k/a “JR.,”
THOMAS COTHRAN, a/k/a “SHOOTA,” a/k/a “TEE,”
QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES, a/k/a “PEEWEE,”
QUINESHA OLIVER,
TRISTAHN ASH, a/k/a “MOHAWK,” and
DAVID WILLIAMS**

shall forfeit to the United States any property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of such offense and any property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of, the offense. Such property includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- A DJI drone and associated accessories seized from **QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES** and **QUINESHA OLIVER** in Tattnall County by the Georgia Department of Corrections on or about August 29, 2021;
- A DJI Matrice 600 Pro drone and associated accessories seized from **QUINTAVEUS SAMPLES** in Eufaula, Alabama by the Eufaula Police Department on or about October 25, 2021; and
- A DJI Matrice 600 Pro drone and associated accessories seized from **TRISTAHN ASH** in Telfair County, Georgia by the Telfair County Sheriff’s Office on or about August 14, 2022.

If, as a result of any act or omission of a Defendant, any of the property subject to forfeiture:

- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of this Court;
- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty,

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said Defendants up to the value of the forfeitable property.

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