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**MONTGOMERY MAN CONVICTED OF FEDERAL DRUG TRAFFICKING WHICH
WILL LAND HIM IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR LIFE**

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA— Leura G. Canary, United States Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama, announced today that a federal jury convicted 29 year old Kiwanis Miyo Jones of Montgomery, Alabama, on federal drug trafficking charges. Jones was found guilty of count one - possession with the intent to distribute cocaine base (“crack cocaine”); of count two - possession with intent to distribute cocaine hydrochloride (“powder cocaine”); of count three - possession with intent to distribute marijuana; and count four of possession with intent to distribute 3,4 Methylenedioxyamphetamine (“MDMA” or “Ecstasy”). Jones was convicted of count five, possession of a firearm in furtherance of the drug trafficking offenses charged in counts one through four. Finally, he was convicted of count six, being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Evidence presented during the one-day trial proved that Jones possessed a large quantity of drugs, some of which was packaged for sale. He was in possession of a large quantity of cash, a scale that had been used to weigh drugs, a firearm, and other tools of the drug trade.

Since Jones has some prior criminal convictions for distribution and possession of drugs in state court, his present convictions, coupled with a sentence enhancement filed by the United States, mandates that Jones will receive a mandatory life sentence. Since parole has been

abolished in the federal system, if Jones is sentenced to life in prison, he will remain incarcerated for the balance of his life.

U.S. Attorney Leura Canary stated, “We are committed to working with the community to remove drugs and drug dealers from our streets. We hope that this conviction will cause drug dealers to ask themselves whether selling drugs is worth spending the remainder of their lives behind bars.”

“This case demonstrates the significant role neighborhood watch plays in eliminating criminal activities within our communities,” said Assistant United States Attorney Tommie Brown Hardwick. Law enforcement initiated an investigation on Jones based upon anonymous tips regarding drug activities at his residence located at 111 Cullman Street, Montgomery, Alabama.

This case was investigated by the Special Operations Narcotics and Intelligence Bureau of the Montgomery Police Department, and the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Tommie Brown Hardwick.