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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Scott T. Swanson, 26, Cambridge, Wis., was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz to 160 months in federal prison for conspiracy to distribute 100 kilograms or more of marijuana. Swanson pleaded guilty to this charge on August 22, 2007.

The investigation of Swanson revealed that he was the leader of a large marijuana distribution ring. Between January 2006 and April 13, 2007, law enforcement agents estimate that Swanson distributed over 300 kilograms of marijuana in the Madison area. On April 13, 2007, Swanson was found in possession of 18 pounds of high grade marijuana at the train station in Columbus, Wis.

The charges against Swanson were the result of an investigation conducted by Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation - Narcotics Bureau and the Drug Enforcement Administration. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

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