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Venezuelan Man Pleads Guilty To Possession Of Cocaine With Intent To Distribute

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ST. CROIX -- Alejandro Marva-Romero, 32, of Venezuela, pleaded guilty on Wednesday in federal court here to possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, United States Attorney Ronald W. Sharpe announced.

On November 13, 2015, Marva-Romero and other co-defendants, who were on a boat, retrieved a load of cocaine mid-sea from another boat. They transported the drugs to St. Croix and offloaded them at a beach called Knight's Bay. Law enforcement tracked the boat returning to St. Croix and apprehended Marva-Romero and two co-defendants on the beach in close proximity to the suitcases. The suitcases contained 87 kilograms of cocaine.

Marva-Romero faces up to life imprisonment for the offense and a fine of up to \$10,000,000. A sentencing date has been set for January 13, 2017.

The case was investigated by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Alphonso Andrews, Jr.

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