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## Man Sentenced To 60 Months In Prison For Conspiracy To Possess With Intent To Distribute Cocaine

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ST. THOMAS -- Reinaldo Morone, 44, of St. Thomas, was sentenced today to 60 months in prison for conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute cocaine, Acting United States Attorney, Joycelyn Hewlett announced. District Court Judge Curtis V. Gomez also sentenced Morone to serve five years of supervised release, pay a \$100 special assessment, and perform 400 hours of community service.

On December 12, 2016, Morone pleaded guilty to conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute cocaine. According to the plea agreement, on October 20, 2016, Morone attempted to sell to an individual approximately four kilograms of a white powdery substance that tested positive for cocaine

The case was investigated by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Sigrid M. Tejo-Sprotte.

Also sentenced today was Walid John, 37, of St. Thomas, to 10 months in prison for possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a crime of domestic violence, according to Acting U.S. Attorney Hewlett. District Court Judge Curtis V. Gomez also sentenced John to serve three years of supervised release, pay a \$100 special assessment, and perform 400 hours of community service.

On December 12, 2016, John pleaded guilty to possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a crime of domestic violence. According to the plea agreement, on October 20, 2016, John admitted to being in possession of a firearm and that he had been previously convicted of a domestic violence offense in 2012.

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