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St. Croix Man Facing Mandatory 10-Year Sentence and Up to Life in Prison Possession With Intent to Distribute Meth

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ST. CROIX — United States Attorney Delia L. Smith announced Thursday that Jason Lee Current, age 44, of St. Croix, pleaded guilty in District Court before Magistrate Judge Emile A. Henderson, III to conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine.

Current's sentencing hearing is scheduled for December 22, 2022.

According to court documents, on November 5, 2020, Custom and Border Protection officers in San Juan, PR, intercepted a mail parcel that contained 112 grams of methamphetamine and 341 grams of marijuana. The package was mailed from California and addressed to Current. On November 10, 2020, federal agents replaced the methamphetamine and marijuana with sham drugs and outfitted the parcel with a tracking device.

That same day, Current picked up the parcel at the Sunny Isles Post Office in St. Croix. Federal agents followed Current using the tracking device, but he eluded the agents after discovering and destroying the tracking device. Current was subsequently taken into custody on November 13, 2020, and charged with the offense.

For his conviction, Current faces a mandatory minimum 10 years and not more than life of imprisonment. A federal district court judge will determine any sentence after considering the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other factors.

This case was investigated by the Homeland Security Investigations, Customs and Border Protection and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Daniel H. Huston.