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Man Traveling on Delta Airlines to St. Thomas With 32 Vacuum-Sealed Packages of Marijuana Charged With Smuggling Controlled Substance

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The Cyril E. King Airport in St. Thomas, USVI

ST. THOMAS — United States Attorney Delia L. Smith announced Tuesday that Christophe Alain Foisy, age 27, of California, appeared before United States Magistrate Judge Ruth Miller for his initial appearing hearing after being charged with possession with intent to distribute marijuana.

According to court documents, Foisy arrived in St. Thomas on a Delta Airlines flight from Atlanta, GA, with thirty-two vacuum sealed packages containing a green leafy substance

in his checked suitcases. After Foisy confirmed to U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers that the suitcases were indeed his, the officers field tested the green leafy substance which yielded a positive reaction for the presence of marijuana and weighed approximately 18 kilograms.

The Department of Homeland Security Investigations and U.S. Customs and Border Protection are investigating this case and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Meredith Edwards.

This investigation is part of an Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) investigation. OCDETF identifies, disrupts, and dismantles the highest-level drug traffickers, money launderers, gangs, and transnational criminal organizations that threaten the United States by using a prosecutor-led, intelligencedriven, multi-agency approach that leverages the strengths of federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies against criminal networks.