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D.A. McMahon Announces Takedown of Cocaine-Dealing Ring

Targets included three brothers who sold cocaine in several neighborhoods in Staten Island

STATEN ISLAND, N.Y. – District Attorney Michael E. McMahon today announced the takedown of a drug-dealing ring that sold cocaine in several neighborhoods in Staten Island. Three dealers, all brothers, were indicted on felony drug charges and arraigned in Richmond County Supreme Court, St. George, before Judge Charles Troia. An additional defendant was previously arrested and indicted in connection to this investigation. Search warrant executions also yielded a large quantity of narcotics.

“These defendants have been indicted on felony drug charges for dealing cocaine in several Staten Island communities,” said District Attorney Michael E. McMahon. “We will keep fighting each and every day to get drugs off the streets and to put dealers in prison. I would like to commend the members of NYPD Narcotics Borough Staten Island as well as my prosecutors for their diligent work on this investigation.”

The five-month investigation began in September 2016 and was dubbed, “All in the Family,” a reference to the three defendants who are brothers. The defendants sold cocaine on several occasions in neighborhoods such as Grasmere, Bulls Head, Castleton Corners, Oakwood, and Dongan Hills. A search warrant executed at one location also yielded approximately 40 grams of cocaine.

The defendants are: **Toriano Lewis**, 28, **Alamir Lewis**, 34, and **Alphonso Lewis**, 31 (all brothers), and **Eric Moore**, 21. Most of the drug sales were conducted in a car.

The charges contained in the indictments are merely allegations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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The prosecution of the case is being handled by Assistant District Attorney Carrie Low under the supervision of Assistant District Attorney Karen Varriale, Chief of the Narcotics-Investigations Bureau and Assistant District Attorney Michele Molfetta, Deputy Chief of the Narcotics-Investigations Bureau.

The lead NYPD investigator on the case is Detective Anthony Massoni of Narcotics Borough Staten Island, acting under the supervision of Sgt. Kenneth Tysdal and Captain Theodore Lauterborn, Commanding Officer of Narcotics Borough Staten Island.

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