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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

United States Attorney Saul A. Green announced that three Mt. Morris Township residents were indicted by a federal grand jury in Flint yesterday on charges of possessing stolen firearms and being unlawful users of marijuana in possession of firearms. The indictment was sealed by court order until today. Named in the eight-count indictment were:

Robert Lee Morris III, 19, of Mt. Morris Township;
Janelle Andre James, 19, of Mt. Morris Township; and
Sir Marcus Winfrey, 22, of Mt. Morris Township.

Assistant United States Attorney Robert W. Haviland, who presented the case to the grand jury, stated that "The indictment charges Mr. Morris sold a stolen .32 caliber pistol during December 1999, knowing that it had been stolen, and that he also sold a 12-gauge shotgun during January 2000, knowing that it had been stolen. The indictment further charges that, after they were sold by Mr. Morris, Mr. James and Mr. Winfrey possessed those same firearms, knowing they had been stolen. Finally, the indictment charges that during the time they possessed and sold these firearms, all three defendants were unlawful users of marijuana.

"The .32 caliber pistol was recovered by Mt. Morris Township Police at Buell Elementary School on February 29, 2000; the 12-gauge shotgun was recovered during the execution of a search warrant at a residence in Mt. Morris Township later that same day. The indictment was sealed until Mr. Morris was arrested, which occurred this morning at his residence. He will be arraigned before United States Magistrate Judge Wallace Capel, Jr. this afternoon. Mr. James and Mr. Winfrey are currently in the custody of the Genesee County Sheriff on state charges.

"Each of the counts of the indictment carries a maximum penalty of ten years' imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000. Any sentence would be imposed under the United States Sentencing Guidelines according to the nature of the offense and the criminal background, if any, of the defendant."

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms in cooperation with

the Mt. Morris Township Police Department, assisted by the Michigan State Police; Genesee Township Police Department; City of Mt. Morris Police Department; and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is entitled to a fair trial at which it will be the government's burden to prove guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION-FLINT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,

NO.

v.

HON. PAUL V. GADOLA

D-1: ROBERT LEE MORRIS, III;

D-2: JAMELLE ANDRE JAMES; and

D-3: SIR MARCUS WINFREY,
Defendants.

INDICTMENT

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT ONE

[possession of stolen firearm; 18 U.S.C. § 922(j)]
[D-1: ROBERT LEE MORRIS, III]

That on an unknown date during December 1999, in the Eastern District of Michigan, ROBERT LEE MORRIS, III, knowing and having reasonable cause to believe that said firearm was stolen, knowingly possessed and sold a stolen firearm which had been shipped in interstate commerce, that is, a Davis Industries Model P-32, .32 caliber semi-automatic pistol bearing serial number P182094; all in violation of Section 922(j) of Title 18, United States Code.

COUNT TWO

[unlawful drug user in possession of firearm; 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(3)]
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COUNT THREE

[possession of stolen firearm; 18 U.S.C. § 922(j)]
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COUNT FOUR

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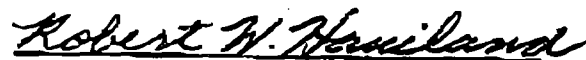
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