The release below has been corrected: The dates in paragraph 2 and three have been corrected and ATF's name has been corrected in the last paragraph.



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BAY AREA GUN TRAFFICKER SENTENCED TO 100 MONTHS IN PRISON

SAN FRANCISCO – A Bay Area gun trafficker was sentenced yesterday to more than eight years in prison for gun trafficking and being a felon in possession of a firearm, United States Attorney Melinda Haag announced. Co-defendant Eric Lynch was also sentenced yesterday to 27 months for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Glenn Alex Miller pleaded guilty on June 2, 2011, to trafficking in firearms and being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm. According to the plea agreement, Miller admitted to selling three firearms and ammunition between May 5, 2010, and Oct. 23, 2010. Miller also admitted that when he was arrested on Feb. 24, 2011, he possessed a Bushmaster .223 caliber rifle, and four pistols. As part of his plea agreement, Miller admitted that he had previously been convicted for assault with a firearm in 1994, and two other firearm-related felonies in 2000 and 2001.

Of the three firearms that Miller admitted to selling, co-defendant Eric Lynch transported one to an undercover ATF agent in American Canyon on May 5, 2010. Lynch also pleaded guilty on June 2, 2011, to being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

The prosecution of Miller and Lynch represents the ongoing cooperation between the United States Attorney's Office and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives in reducing gun trafficking and gun violence.

Miller, 40, of Vallejo, Calif., was charged by Information on March 11, 2011, with trafficking firearms in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(a)(1), and being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1). Lynch, 54, of American Canyon, Calif., was charged by Information on April 6, 2011, with being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm, in violation of a firearm, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1).

The sentences were handed down by U.S. District Court Judge Jeffrey S. White, and also include three-year periods of supervised release. The defendants have been in custody since their arrests on Feb. 24, 2011.

Derek Owens is the Assistant U.S. Attorney who is prosecuted the cases with the assistance of Ponly Tu. The prosecution is the result of a six-month investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Further Information:

Case #: CR 11-0211 JSW and CR 11-0212 JSW

A copy of this press release may be found on the U.S. Attorney's Office's website at <u>www.usdoj.gov/usao/can</u>.

Electronic court filings and further procedural and docket information are available at <u>https://ecf.cand.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/login.pl</u>.

Judges' calendars with schedules for upcoming court hearings can be viewed on the court's website at <u>www.cand.uscourts.gov</u>.

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