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ATF FUGITIVES ARRESTED AT TEXAS BORDER

Former Members of the 'Detroit Thug Lordz' Fled To Mexico

DETROIT – The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) announced today the arrests of two fugitives on Thursday, May 24, by U.S. Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) authorities in El Paso, Texas. A Removal and Detention Hearing is scheduled for today in Texas for Michael Moreno, 18, and Hassan Aljibory, 20. Both were charged, along with seven others, in a 16-count federal indictment for the distribution of crack cocaine, powder cocaine and marijuana on Detroit's Northwest side. Moreno and Aljibory are former members of the armed drug trafficking organization once identified as the 'Detroit Thug Lordz.'



Michael Moreno



Hassan Aljibory

Moreno and Aljibory were stopped late last week while trying to re-enter the United States through Texas from Mexico. Neither possessed identification and were therefore fingerprinted by CBP for verification of their identities. Authorities discovered their status as federal fugitives and contacted ATF. Investigators believe the pair fled to Mexico upon learning of the outstanding arrest warrants. Seven other members await various stages of court proceedings on the charges related to the federal conspiracy.

Citizens with information about illegal guns, gangs with guns, armed drug trafficking or the trafficking of illegal guns are encouraged to call 800-ATF-GUNS (800-283-4867). Callers may remain anonymous.

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