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Cape May Court House, New Jersey – County Prosecutor Robert L. Taylor announced the arrest of Adrian Santiago, a.k.a “Monster”, of North Wildwood, culminating a four (4) month long narcotics investigation involving the Prosecutor's Office Gangs, Guns and Narcotics Task Force, along with the North Wildwood, and Wildwood Police Departments.

During the afternoon hours of December 17, 2009, members of the Cape May County Regional SWAT Team; Cape May County Prosecutor's Office, and the Wildwood and North Wildwood Police Departments executed Court authorized search warrants at 121 W. 25th Avenue, 2nd Floor Rear, in the City of North Wildwood and on the person of Adrian Santiago. As a result of the search warrants the following items were seized: 89 bags of heroin, having a street value of \$1,780 dollars; 56 bags of crack cocaine, having a street value of \$1,120 dollars, a small amount of marijuana, and over \$1,400 dollars in U.S. currency.

Adrian Santiago, 24 years of age, of 121 W. 25th Avenue, North Wildwood, was charged with: Possession with Intent to Distribute CDS, specifically cocaine, under one half ounce, a third degree crime; Possession with Intent to Distribute CDS, specifically heroin, under one half ounce, a third degree crime; Possession w/ Intent to Distribute both cocaine and heroin w/in 1000 feet of a School Zone, both third degree crimes; and Possession of Marijuana under 50 grams, a disorderly persons offense. Santiago was lodged in the Cape May County Jail and bail was set by Municipal Court Judge David DeWeese at \$35,000.00 cash, no 10%, no bond.

Persons convicted of a third degree crime may be sentenced between 3 and 5 years in the New Jersey State Prison.

Prosecutor Taylor commended the exceptional work of the Gangs, Guns, and Narcotics Task Force and cooperating agencies and indicated the Task Force will continue to target high level drug dealers and the seizure of their assets.

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