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Cape May Court House, New Jersey – County Prosecutor Robert L. Taylor and Chief Steven Long of the Wildwood Police Department announced the conclusion of a narcotics investigation involving the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office Gangs, Guns, and Narcotics Task Force along with the Wildwood Police Department that resulted in the seizure of a large amount of suspected heroin and the arrest of a member of the "Bloods" street gang in the City of Wildwood.

On November 3, 2011, members of the Cape May County Regional SWAT Team, Cape May County Prosecutor's Office, Wildwood Police Department, and Sheriff's K-9 Unit executed Court Authorized Search Warrants on the person of Michael Daniels and Daniels' residence located at 3700 New Jersey Avenue. . As a result of these Search Warrants, over 160 bags of suspected heroin, marijuana, manufacturing and packaging materials to include a digital scale and numerous plastic baggies along with \$848.00 in US currency was seized. According to Prosecutor Taylor, the approximate street value of the suspected heroin and marijuana is over \$4,000.

Michael Daniels, 28 years of age, was charged with Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, specifically heroin, a crime of the third degree; Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance with Intent to Distribute in an amount under ½ ounce, a crime of the third degree; Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance with Intent to Distribute within 500' of a Public Place, a crime of the second degree; Possession of Marijuana under 50 grams, a disorderly persons offence; Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute, a fourth degree crime; and Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute within 500' of a Public Place, a crime of the third degree. Daniels was lodged in the Cape May County Correctional Center in lieu of \$100,000 full cash bail.

Also charged as a result of the investigation was Rebecca Abu, 23 years of age, residing in the 3700 Block of New Jersey Avenue in Wildwood. Abu was charged with Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, a crime of the third degree; Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance with Intent to Distribute in an amount under ½ ounce, a crime of the third degree; Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance with Intent to Distribute within 500' of a Public Place, a 2nd degree crime; Possession of Marijuana

under 50 grams, a disorderly persons offence; Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute, a fourth degree crime; and Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute within 500' of a Public Place, a crime of the third degree. Abu was released on summonses.

Persons convicted of second degree crimes may be sentenced between 5 and 10 years in New Jersey State Prison, persons convicted of third degree crimes may be sentenced between 3 and 5 years in prison, and fourth degree crimes carry a sentence of up to 18 months in prison.

Prosecutor Taylor and Chief Long commended the work of the Gangs, Guns and Narcotics Task Force along with all of the cooperating agencies involved in this investigation. Prosecutor Taylor stated the Task Force will continue to target drug dealers and persons involved in criminal Street Gangs in Cape May County, along with the seizure of their assets.

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