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## FEDERAL INMATE SENTENCED TO ADDITIONAL PRISON TIME FOR BRIBING A CORRECTIONAL OFFICER AND SMUGGLING CONTRABAND

On January 26, 2012, an inmate of FCI Greenville was sentenced to additional time in federal prison for conspiracy to bribe a federal correctional officer and for smuggling contraband into the prison, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, Stephen R. Wigginton, announced today. Khalat Jamal Alama, 27, of Lincoln, Nebraska, was sentenced to 30 months imprisonment, a \$200 special assessment, a \$400 fine, and 3 years of supervised release following his incarceration. On October 7, 2011, Alama pled guilty plea to Conspiracy to Bribe a Federal Official and Bribery of a Federal Official.

The indictment alleged that from October, 2009 - May, 2011, that Alama arranged for individuals outside of the prison to pay Correctional Officer Druex M. Perkins for smuggling contraband to Alama inside of the prison. Alama then resold the items for profit inside of FCI Greenville. The scheme was interrupted on May 14, 2011, when agents caught Perkins in possession of 60 cigarettes hidden inside of the crotch area of his pants that were intended for Alama after Perkins had accepted a \$2,000 bribe.

Alama is presently serving a 188 month federal sentence for Conspiracy to Distribute Methamphetamine in Lincoln, Neb., and is not eligible for release on that offense until November, 2018. The sentence imposed for this bribery case will be consecutive to, meaning in addition to, his methamphetamine conviction.

Druex M. Perkins, of Greenville, Illinois, was employed at FCI Greenville from October 13, 2009, until after his arrest on May 14, 2011. On January 12, 2012, Perkins was also sentenced to 30 months imprisonment, a \$500 special assessment, a \$500 fine, and 3 years of supervised release following his incarceration. He was convicted of one count of Bribery by a Federal Official, two counts of Honest Services Wire Fraud, and two counts of Making False Statements to the FBI.

US Attorney Stephen Wigginton said, "The administration at FCI Greenville should be credited for their assistance. This prosecution would not have been possible without the support of the warden and the work of the agents who conducted this investigation."

The case was investigated by the Metro East Public Corruption Task force and agents of the FCI Greenville Special Investigations Office, Internal Revenue Service, US Postal Inspection Service, US Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General, Illinois State Police, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Steven D. Weinhoeft.