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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT
U.S. DISTRICT COURT
Grand Jury N-11-3 NEW HAVEN, CT.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Criminal No. 3:12CR 164 (JA)

v.

HECTOR NATAL, a.k.a. "Boom"
and "Boom-Boom," and
HECTOR MORALES

VIOLATIONS:

21 U.S.C. § 846 (Conspiracy to Distribute and
to Possess with Intent to Distribute
Narcotics)
18 U.S.C. § 844(i) (Attempt to Commit
Arson)
18 U.S.C. § 844(i) (Arson Causing Death)
18 U.S.C. § 1512(b)(1) (Witness Tampering)
18 U.S.C. § 1512(k) (Conspiracy to Tamper
with Witnesses)
18 U.S.C. § 1519 (Destruction of Evidence)
18 U.S.C. § 2 (Aiding and Abetting)

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges:

At all times relevant to this Indictment:

COUNT ONE

(Conspiracy to Distribute and to Possess with Intent to Distribute Narcotics)

1. The defendant HECTOR NATAL, a.k.a. "Boom" and "Boom-Boom," was the son of the defendant HECTOR MORALES.

2. MORALES resided at 151-153 Poplar Street, New Haven, Connecticut ("151-153 Poplar"). NATAL resided at 151-153 Poplar Street, 76 Haven Street, New Haven, Connecticut ("76 Haven Street") and 63 Hemingway Avenue, East Haven, Connecticut.

3. MORALES owned a blue 1994 Dodge Caravan ("the van"). From approximately December 2010 to March 11, 2011, the van was unregistered and bore Connecticut license plate

839-UYF. On approximately March 11, 2011, MORALES registered the van, and placed on the van Connecticut license plate 485-YOY.

Conspiracy

4. From approximately January 2009 to June 11, 2011, in the District of Connecticut, NATAL and MORALES, together with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly and intentionally conspire to violate the narcotics laws of the United States.

5. It was a part and an object of the conspiracy that NATAL and MORALES, together with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, would distribute and possess with intent to distribute controlled substances, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

6. The controlled substances involved in the offense were mixtures and substances containing detectable amounts of cocaine and cocaine base ("crack cocaine"), Schedule II controlled substances, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(b)(1)(C), and a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of marijuana, a Schedule I controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(b)(1)(D).

Roles of the Defendants

7. NATAL distributed crack cocaine and marijuana to customers in New Haven's Fair Haven neighborhood. He had multiple sources of supply for crack cocaine and marijuana, and sometimes bought powder cocaine and "cooked" it to convert it to crack cocaine. After breaking down larger amounts of crack cocaine and marijuana into bags for street level distribution, NATAL sold these drugs directly to customers. NATAL also "fronted" drugs to associates who sold the drugs and split the profits with NATAL. He stayed in frequent contact

with his associates and customers by telephone, and usually met with them in the late hours of the night or in the early morning.

8. MORALES served as NATAL's driver, facilitating NATAL's sales of narcotics and collection of drug proceeds. These narcotics transactions and collections sometimes occurred inside or near MORALES' van. MORALES also held for safe keeping money that NATAL had collected from the sale of narcotics.

Overt Acts

9. In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to effect the objects thereof, NATAL and MORALES committed the following overt acts, among others, in the District of Connecticut:

a. From approximately March 1, 2011, to March 8, 2011, NATAL had a large number of telephone calls with a resident of 50 Wolcott Street, New Haven, Connecticut ("the resident").

b. Between 11:22 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. on March 8, 2011, there were approximately three telephone calls between NATAL and the resident.

c. From approximately 11:30 p.m. on March 8, 2011, to approximately 12:30 a.m. on March 9, 2011, MORALES drove NATAL in the van from 76 Haven Street to the vicinity of 91 Spring Street, New Haven, Connecticut, where NATAL collected money owed him from a prior sale of cocaine base.

d. On March 9, 2011, at approximately 1:15 a.m., NATAL set fire to the two-story residence located at 48-50 Wolcott Street, New Haven, Connecticut (the "Wolcott Street residence") in part as retaliation for failure to pay a drug debt.

e. In the early morning of March 9, 2011, after the fire was set, MORALES drove NATAL from the vicinity of the Wolcott Street residence to 76 Haven Street.

f. On March 25, 2011, MORALES drove NATAL in the van to 382 Grand Avenue, New Haven, Connecticut.

All in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 846.

COUNT TWO

(Attempted Arson at 48-50 Wolcott Street)

10. In approximately October 2010, in the District of Connecticut, NATAL did attempt to maliciously damage and destroy, by means of fire, a building and other personal and real property used in interstate commerce and in an activity affecting interstate commerce, namely, a residential building located at 48-50 Wolcott Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(i).

COUNT THREE

(Arson Resulting in the Death of Jaquetta Roberson)

11. The allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 3 and 7 through 9 of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated as though fully set forth herein.

12. On or about March 9, 2011, in the District of Connecticut, NATAL did maliciously damage and destroy, by means of fire, a building and other personal and real property used in interstate commerce and in an activity affecting interstate commerce, namely, a residential building located at 48-50 Wolcott Street, New Haven, Connecticut, and as a result of such conduct directly and proximately caused the death of Jaquetta Roberson.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(i).

COUNT FOUR

(Arson Resulting in the Death of Quayshawn Roberson)

13. The allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 3 and 7 through 9 of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated as though fully set forth herein.

14. On or about March 9, 2011, in the District of Connecticut, NATAL did maliciously damage and destroy, by means of fire, a building and other personal and real property used in interstate commerce and in an activity affecting interstate commerce, namely, a residential building located at 48-50 Wolcott Street, New Haven, Connecticut, and as a result of such conduct directly and proximately caused the death of Quayshawn Roberson.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(i).

COUNT FIVE

(Arson Resulting in the Death of Wanda Roberson)

15. The allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 3 and 7 through 9 of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated as though fully set forth herein.

16. On or about March 9, 2011, in the District of Connecticut, NATAL did maliciously damage and destroy, by means of fire, a building and other personal and real property used in interstate commerce and in an activity affecting interstate commerce, namely, a residential building located at 48-50 Wolcott Street, New Haven, Connecticut, and as a result of such conduct directly and proximately caused the death of Wanda Roberson.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(i).

COUNT SIX

(Witness Tampering & Aiding and Abetting)

17. The allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 3 and 7 through 9 of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated as though fully set forth herein.

18. In approximately May and June 2011, in the District of Connecticut, NATAL and MORALES did knowingly use intimidation, threaten and corruptly persuade, and attempt to do so, and did engage in misleading conduct toward other persons whose identities are known to the Grand Jury (hereinafter referred to as "Individual 1," "Individual 2," "Individual 3" and "Individual 4") with intent to influence, delay and prevent the testimony of Individual 1, Individual 2, Individual 3 and Individual 4 in an official proceeding, namely, testimony before the Grand Jury investigating crimes charged in Counts One through Five and Eight of this Indictment.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1512(b)(1) and Section 2.

COUNT SEVEN

(Conspiracy to Tamper with Witnesses)

19. The allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 3, 7 through 9 and 18 of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated as though fully set forth herein.

20. From approximately May through July 2011, in the District of Connecticut, NATAL and MORALES, together with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly conspire to use intimidation, threaten and corruptly persuade, and to engage in misleading conduct toward other persons, namely, Individual 1, Individual 2, Individual 3 and Individual 4, with intent to influence, delay and prevent the testimony of such persons in an

official proceeding, namely, testimony before the Grand Jury investigating crimes charged in Counts One through Five and Eight of this Indictment, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1512(b)(1).

Objects of the Conspiracy

21. It was an object of the conspiracy that NATAL and MORALES would cause witnesses subpoenaed to testify before the Grand Jury investigating the defendants' narcotics trafficking and the fatal fire at the Wolcott Street residence, to give false and misleading information to the Grand Jury in order to prevent the Grand Jury from developing evidence that NATAL was responsible for the fatal fire and to protect NATAL and MORALES from being charged criminally.

22. It was a further object of the conspiracy that NATAL and MORALES would corruptly suggest to witnesses that they testify falsely before the Grand Jury regarding:

- a. NATAL's October 2010 attempt to commit arson at 48-50 Wolcott Street, New Haven, Connecticut;
- b. NATAL's whereabouts at the time the March 9, 2011 arson was set; and
- c. MORALES' alteration and concealment of evidence relating to the March 9, 2011 arson.

23. It was a further object of the conspiracy that NATAL and MORALES would threaten a witness if they believed the witness did not comply with their instructions to testify falsely before the Grand Jury.

Overt Acts

24. In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to effect the objects thereof, NATAL and MORALES committed the following overt acts, among others, in the District of Connecticut:

a. On approximately May 6, 2011, in the vicinity of 133 Atwater, New Haven, Connecticut ("133 Atwater"), NATAL met with Individual 1.

b. In mid-May 2011, outside of 133 Atwater, NATAL and MORALES met with Individual 1, Individual 2 and Individual 3.

c. On approximately May 17, 2011, inside an apartment at 133 Atwater, NATAL met with Individual 1 and Individual 2.

d. In approximately mid-July 2011, NATAL and MORALES threatened Individual 4.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1512(k).

COUNT EIGHT

(Destruction and Concealment of Evidence)

25. The allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 3 and 7 through 9 of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and incorporated as though fully set forth herein.

26. In approximately March 2011, in the District of Connecticut, MORALES did knowingly alter a tangible object, that is, a blue 1994 Dodge Caravan, with the intent to impede, obstruct and influence an investigation and proper administration of a matter within the jurisdiction of a department or agency of the United States, namely, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and in relation to or contemplation of any such matter or case, that is, the criminal

investigation into the fatal arson at 48-50 Wolcott Street, New Haven, Connecticut, that resulted in the deaths of Jaquetta Roberson, Quanshawn Roberson, and Wanda Roberson.

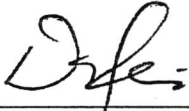
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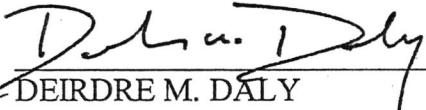
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