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Six Area Men Indicted for Drug Trafficking Operation

***State v. Curtis Stargell, Darion Stargell, Travon Stargell, Christopher Furlow,
Thomas Crawford & Travis Ware, 2016-CR-3465***

DAYTON, OH (12/7/2016) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that six individuals have been indicted for charges relating to an illegal drug trafficking operation they were operating in the Miami Valley from February to August of this year.

After a lengthy investigation, including controlled drug buys and undercover police operations, the six defendants were identified as running a large scale illegal drug trafficking operation. .

Today, the defendants were indicted as follows:

CURTIS STARGELL, 28, currently in the Butler County Jail on unrelated charges:

- Two counts of Trafficking in Heroin

DARION STARGELL, 27, of Trotwood:

- One count of Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Possession of Drugs
- One count of Trafficking in Cocaine
- One count of Trafficking in Heroin
- One count of Having Weapons While Under Disability

TRAVON STARGELL, 26, of Dayton:

- One count of Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- Six counts of Aggravated Trafficking in Drug
- One count of Aggravated Possession of Drugs
- One count of Trafficking in Heroin
- One count of Possession of Heroin
- One count of Possession of Cocaine

CHRISTOPHER FURLOW, 30, of Trotwood:

- One count of Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- Four counts of Trafficking in Heroin
- Three counts of Aggravated Trafficking in Drugs

THOMAS CRAWFORD, 26, of Dayton:

- One count of Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Trafficking in Cocaine
- Three counts of Trafficking in Heroin

TRAVIS WARE, 29, of Trotwood:

- One count of Aggravated Trafficking in Drugs

Warrants have been issued for the arrest of the defendants. They are scheduled to be arraigned on December 22, 2016 at 8:30 am.

Prosecutor Heck continued, "These defendants conducted business 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to sell illegal drugs in our community. These illegal drugs, both heroin and cocaine, destroy families, cost lives, and significantly endanger our community by contributing to the commission of other violent crimes. Drug traffickers need to be removed from our streets and our communities."

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