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DRUG DEALER GETS NINE (9) YEAR SENTENCE

FORSYTH, MO - Taney County Prosecuting Attorney, Jeffrey M. Merrell announced today that PHILIPPE RAHIM YOMTOB, dob: 02/19/1957 of Hayward, CA was sentenced Thursday by Taney County Circuit Judge Mark Orr to nine (9) years for the class B felony of possession of methamphetamine with the intent to distribute and nine (9) years for the class B felony of sale of a cocaine. PHILLIPPE RAHIME YOMTOB was also sentenced to seven (7) years on three counts of the class C felony possession of a controlled substance. All counts are to run concurrent and probation was denied.

In response to the sentences, Taney County Prosecuting Attorney, Jeffery M. Merrell stated, "I am satisfied with the sentences. I hope that drug dealers will take notice. People who get caught dealing drugs in Taney County should go to prison. This case is an example of what happens when the system works. Special recognition goes out to the C.O.M.E.T drug task force for their hard work. They did an excellent job investigating this case, and without their efforts a drug-dealer might still be at work in our County. These officers have my sincere appreciation."

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