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BROCKTON MAN SENT TO STATE PRISON ON GUN CHARGE

PLYMOUTH – A Brockton man has been sentenced to State Prison time for possessing a firearm, Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz announced today.

After evidence was presented at trial yesterday in Plymouth Superior Court, a jury deliberated three hours today before finding Jerry Santos (DOB: 02/10/84) guilty of one count of Possession of a Firearm. Judge Christopher Muse sentenced Santos to serve three years to three years and one day in State Prison.

In December 2015, State Police Detectives along with Brockton Police received information that a man fitting Santos's description had been seen in the Brockton area in possession of a silver revolver that he kept in the trunk of a 1996 red Acura Integra. On December 2, 2015, police sought and obtained a search warrant and proceeded to 466 Main Street in Brockton to execute a search of the Acura. Upon their arrival, police observed Santos standing in the rear driveway away from the vehicle. Police searched Santos and recovered car keys from his pocket which contained the Acura logo on them. Santos denied owning the keys and police activated the key alarm causing the Acura to flash its headlights and horn and unlock its doors. Police searched the trunk where they located a silver .22 caliber revolver inside a sock above the wheel well. Inside the trunk, police also found pieces of mail, an RMV license and DTA card, all bearing Santos's name.

Santos is an Armed Career Criminal by virtue of a 2005 Federal Court conviction for Possession with Intent to Distribute a Class B Substance for which he served 60 months.

“The year 2015 was a particularly bad year for gun violence in the City of Brockton, with nine murders being committed, five of which involved firearms,” DA Cruz said. “Collaboration among state, local and federal law enforcement has been key to driving down firearm-related crime. Prosecutions like today's against Mr. Santos send a strong message that we are all working together toward a common goal and will not be deterred from our mission of trying to keep the streets safe.”

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Assistant District Attorney Joseph Janezic prosecuted the case, which was investigated by State Police Detectives assigned to the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and Brockton Police.

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