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Auditor employed by NYC Department of Correction arrested for cocaine sales to undercover officer

New York City's Special Narcotics Prosecutor Bridget G. Brennan and New York City Police Commissioner William J. Bratton announced today the arrest of RONALD GERMAIN, an auditor employed by the City of New York Department of Correction (DOC) in connection with four sales of cocaine. GERMAIN's girlfriend MAITE MATHELIER was also charged.

GERMAIN, 58, and MATHELIER, 32, were taken into custody yesterday afternoon following an investigation by the New York City Police Department's (NYPD) Narcotics Borough Brooklyn North. They were arraigned today in Manhattan Criminal Court.

A DOC employee for over 25 years, GERMAIN faces charges of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First, Second and Third Degrees, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the Second Degree and Unlawfully Dealing with a Child in the First Degree. MATHELIER is charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the Second Degree and Unlawfully Dealing with a Child in the First Degree.

Between December 2, 2015 and December 29, 2015, GERMAIN allegedly conducted and/or orchestrated four drug transactions with an undercover officer in which 113 grams of cocaine (nearly 4 oz.) sold for \$5,250. In conversations with the undercover, GERMAIN falsely claimed to work as a Correction Officer and showed the undercover his DOC-issued parking plaque. In fact, GERMAIN worked as an auditor at DOC headquarters, located at 75-20 Astoria Boulevard in East Elmhurst, Queens.

Three sales took place inside GERMAIN's residence, a basement apartment at 866 Linden Boulevard, East Flatbush, which he shares with his girlfriend and three children ranging in age from one to ten years old. MATHELIER and the children were present inside the home during the cocaine sales, which were recorded on video.

Yesterday afternoon police arrested GERMAIN outside the residence. MATHELIER was arrested inside. The children were removed from the apartment and the New York City Administration for Children's Services (ACS) was notified.

Police recovered an additional 60 grams of cocaine (over 2 oz.), including 35 grams found on GERMAIN's person inside his jacket pocket and another 25 grams found in the master bedroom during a court authorized search. Police also recovered \$4,000 cash, surveillance equipment, scales, and other drug paraphernalia.

Bridget G. Brennan thanked the Special Narcotics Trial Division and the NYPD's Narcotics Borough Brooklyn North for their work on the case.

DEFENDANTS	CHARGES
Ronald Germain 866 Linden Boulevard Brooklyn, NY 2/23/1957	CSCS 1 st – 1 ct CSCS 2 nd – 2 cts CSCS 3 rd – 2 cts CPCS 3 rd – 4 cts Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia 2 nd – 1 ct Unlawfully Dealing with a Child 1 st – 3 cts
Maite Mathelier 866 Linden Boulevard Brooklyn, NY 6/3/1983	CPCS 3 rd – 1 ct Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia 2 nd – 1 ct Unlawfully Dealing with a Child 1 st – 1 ct

The charges and allegations are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty.