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## **Adult entertainers and bouncers at Sin City Cabaret in the Bronx among nine charged in cocaine sales**

New York City's Special Narcotics Prosecutor Bridget G. Brennan and New York City Police Commissioner William J. Bratton announced the indictment and arrest of nine individuals in connection with sales of cocaine at Sin City Cabaret, a gentlemen's club located at 2520 Park Avenue in the Mott Haven section of the Bronx.

Five separate indictments include charges of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First, Second and Third degrees. The charges are the result of a long-term investigation by the New York City Police Department's (NYPD) Vice Squad and the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor (SNP) in which undercover officers purchased over \$22,000 in cocaine.

The NYPD also initiated a nuisance abatement action against Sin City Cabaret in response to persistent criminal activity inside and around the club, including acts of violence.

Defendants ROSANNA DEBROOKS, CLAUDIA DE LA ROSA, BLAIR PADILLA, JASMINE EDMONDS and JOEANA MCCARTHY worked as dancers at Sin City during the timeframe charged in the indictments. Some have since moved on to work for other employers.

ISAAC FLORES, CHARLES PERCELL and JANA ELLIS were bouncers at the club. A ninth defendant, PAMELA CONTRERAS, resided with DE LA ROSA and allegedly served as her narcotics supplier.

Arrests took place over the past three weeks, beginning on June 21. PADILLA was arrested yesterday and is scheduled to be arraigned this morning before Manhattan Supreme Court Justice Neil Ross in Part 23, 100 Centre Street. Over the course of the investigation, PADILLA made seven sales of cocaine to undercover officers who were posing as club patrons.

In total, undercover officers purchased cocaine from the defendants on nearly two-dozen occasions since December 2014 for over \$20,000. The majority of the sales took place inside or in front of the club. In some instances, the defendants sold individual doses of cocaine, either inside a capsule, a bag, or rolled in a dollar bill, for an inflated price of \$100.

The largest drug sales charged in the case were conducted by DE LA ROSA and CONTRERAS at locations near their residence, including a McDonald's restaurant parking lot at 3509 Webster Avenue in the Norwood section of the Bronx. Police arrested CONTRERAS on June 21 as she was in the

process of selling 200 grams of cocaine to an undercover officer for \$11,500. DE LA ROSA was arrested that same day at their apartment, located nearby at 3506 Hull Avenue.

Both DE LA ROSA and CONTRERAS were arraigned on June 22 before Judge Neil Ross. Bail was set at \$75,000 and \$150,000 respectively.

All of the defendants pled not guilty. FLORES and ELLIS have been released on bail set at \$35,000 and \$3,500 respectively. PERCELL, who was in federal custody on an unrelated case at the time of his arrest, is being held without bail. DEBROOKS and EDMONDS are currently being held on bail set at \$75,000 and \$7,500 respectively. MCCARTHY was released on her own recognizance.

Special Narcotics Prosecutor Bridget G. Brennan thanked her office's Trial Division and the New York City Police Department's Vice Squad for their work on the case.

INDICTED DEFENDANTS	CHARGES
Rosanna Debrooks 3815 Putnam Avenue W, Apt. 6K Bronx, NY 5/16/1985	CSCS 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 2 cts CSCS 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 3 cts
Isaac Flores 530 Tinton Avenue, Apt. 4E Bronx, NY 6/29/1981	CSCS 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 1 ct
Claudia De La Rosa 3506 Hull Avenue, Apt. 6G Bronx, NY 2/14/1987	CSCS 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 cts CSCS 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 1 ct
Pamela Contreras 3506 Hull Avenue, Apt. 6G Bronx, NY 10/16/1987	CSCS 1 <sup>st</sup> – 1 ct CSCS 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 1 ct
Blair Padilla 1565 Townsend Avenue, Apt. 1H Bronx, NY 3/3/1987	CSCS 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 7 cts
Charles Percell 9/24/1969	CSCS 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 cts
Jasmine Edmonds 1263 Clay Avenue, Apt. 4B Bronx, NY 2/3/1990	CSCS 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 6 cts
Janae Ellis 120 Pelham Road, Apt. 6B New Rochelle, NY 7/5/1989	CSCS 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 1 ct
Joeana McCarthy 30 East Clarke Place, Apt. 8E Bronx, NY 6/22/1991	CSCS 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 3 cts

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