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## COMMUNITY PARTNER IN JUSTICE NOTIFICATION

## EAST NEW YORK MAN AND WOMAN INDICTED FOR TRAFFICKING FIREARMS

Brooklyn District Attorney Ken Thompson, together with New York City Police Commissioner William J. Bratton, today announced that Ricardo Rivero and Constance Guity, of East New York, have been charged with selling 30 illegal firearms, including six assault weapons and a sawed-off shotgun, to undercover officers during the course of a year-long investigation conducted by the NYPD and the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office.

Undercover officers made multiple purchases of weapons in the vicinity of Wyona Street and Dumont Avenue, Dumont and Pennsylvania Avenues and Dumont and New Jersey Avenues, in East New York. On several occasions Guity allegedly accompanied Rivero with weapons concealed in her handbag.

District Attorney Thompson said, "This investigation is another example of our unrelenting commitment to keep the people of Brooklyn safe by taking illegal guns off our streets. All of these guns, which included assault rifles and a sawed off shotgun, could have wreaked havoc in our communities. I commend the brave undercover officers and the dedicated prosecutors in my office who helped us bring this important case."

These charges are merely allegations and defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty.