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**BROOKLYN MAN SENTENCED TO ONE YEAR IN JAIL FOR STEALING GPS
DEVICES FROM AUTOMOBILES PARKED AT KENNEDY AIRPORT**

Sentence To Be Served In Addition To Nine Month Term Being Served In Bklyn

Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown announced that a 21-year-old Brooklyn resident who pleaded guilty to stealing global positioning system (GPS) devices from cars parked at John F. Kennedy International Airport has been sentenced to one year in jail to be served in addition to a nine-month jail sentence he is presently serving on a Brooklyn assault case.

District Attorney Brown said, "In the months leading up to the defendant's arrest, there were more than thirty reports of GPS devices being stolen from cars parked at the City's two major airports. Since his arrest on July 1, 2007, there has not been one reported theft."

The District Attorney identified the defendant as Youssef Razak, 21, of 5111 Avenue K in Brooklyn. Razak appeared today before Acting Supreme Court Justice James P. Griffin and pleaded guilty to the entire eight-count indictment pending against him, charging third-, fourth- and fifth-degree criminal possession of stolen property, second-degree criminal mischief, possession of burglar's tools, third-degree unauthorized use of a vehicle, third-degree aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and unlawfully operating or driving a motor vehicle on a public highway. Justice Griffin immediately sentenced him to one year in jail.

The District Attorney said that, according to the charges, Razak was discovered in a stolen 2005 white Cadillac Escalade, with the engine running, just before midnight on June 30, 2007 in the blue parking lot at JFK Airport. When asked by Port Authority police to see his driver's license, Razak was unable to produce a valid New York State driver's license – his privilege to operate a motor vehicle was suspended on May 30, 2007. Instead, he offered police a fraudulent international driver's license. Once under arrest, police discovered a gravity knife in his pants pocket and, during an inventory of the Escalade, recovered two screwdrivers, a pair of pliers, two Sanyo seat car television sets and three GPS vehicle systems. In pleading guilty today, Razak admitted to stealing the GPS systems.

The investigation was conducted by Detective Curtis King of the Port Authority Police Department.

Assistant District Attorney Catherine C. Kane, Chief of District Attorney Brown's Airport Investigations Unit, prosecuted the case under the supervision of Gerard A. Brave, Bureau Chief of the District Attorney's Rackets Bureau, and Marc P. Resnick, Deputy Bureau Chief, and the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Investigations Peter A. Crusco and Assistant District Attorney Linda M. Cantoni, Deputy Executive Assistant District Attorney for Investigations.

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