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Press Release - For Immediate Release

Elk Point, S.D. – State's Attorney Jerry A. Miller announced today that Ferando Beeck, age 20, a Hawarden, IA resident, plead guilty on January 30, 2012 in the 1st Circuit Court to one count of Second Degree Burglary, a class three felony. The maximum sentence on a class three felony charge is a fine up to thirty thousand dollars, or a sentence up to fifteen years in the South Dakota State Penitentiary, or both.

Beeck was sentenced on March 12, 2012 on the above charge for a residential burglary that occurred on or about April 18, 2011. Beeck received a Suspended Imposition of Sentence on this file. Beeck was ordered to successfully complete five years of supervised probation. Should Beeck successfully complete his supervised probation this offense will be removed from his record. This sentence is to be consecutive to the Beeck's sentence for the November 3, 2011 possession of controlled substance sentence. Beeck also received a sentence of one-hundred and eighty days in the Union County Jail with credit for the seventy-five days he spent incarcerated awaiting sentencing. Beeck's probation and county jail time is to run concurrent with his felony possession of controlled substance file. The balance of the county jail sentence will be suspended when Beeck can enroll in a treatment program.

On or about April 18, 2011, Beeck illegally entered his adoptive parent's residence and removed several item of value without permission. The victims in this case confronted family members about the missing items. When no one came forward, the victims reported the matter to law enforcement. The Union County Sheriff's department investigated this burglary and a subsequent burglary at the same location. Chief Deputy Mike Bucholz solved both burglaries and identified all persons involved. Confessions were given by Beeck and his accomplices. Beeck was not living at the address at the time of the burglary.