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Men Sentenced to Federal Prison for Conspiring to Provide Material Support to Terrorists

Two men were sentenced today for conspiring to provide material support to the designated foreign terrorist organization Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham/Syria (ISIS).

Kristopher Sean Matthews, aka Ali Jibreel, 36, of South Carolina, was sentenced to 20 years in prison, and Jaylyn Christopher Molina, aka Abdur Rahim, 24, of Cost, Texas, was sentenced to 18 years in prison.

According to court documents, since May 2019, Matthews conspired with Molina to provide services to ISIS by administering an encrypted, members-only chat group for persons who supported ISIS ideology; by collecting, generating, and disseminating pro-ISIS propaganda; and by disseminating firearms training materials and bomb-making instructions to each other and to other members of the chat group and others.

On Nov. 24, 2020, and Jan. 25, 2021, Matthews and Molina, respectively, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to provide material support to ISIS. In addition, Molina pleaded guilty to one count of receiving child pornography. At today's sentencing, Molina received another 216 months, to run concurrently, for the child pornography charge. Both men have remained in federal custody since their arrests on Sept. 21, 2020.

The San Antonio FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), with valuable assistance from the San Antonio Police Department, the U.S. Secret Service and the Gonzalez County Sheriff's Office, investigated this case.

Assistant U.S. Attorneys Mark Roomberg, William R. Harris and Eric Fuchs for the Western District of Texas and Trial Attorney George C. Kraehe and former Trial Attorney Felice J. Viti of the National Security Division's Counterterrorism Section prosecuted this case on behalf of the government.

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