

## INTRODUCTION TO THE GUIDELINES

On December 16, 2015, Nelson Hugo and Ken Savage discussed plans to rob the Affinity Plus Federal Credit Union in Mankato, Minnesota. At approximately 4:30 p.m. that day, Savage drove Hugo to the credit union so Hugo could rob it. While Hugo was inside the credit union, Savage drove his vehicle to a nearby apartment complex where Savage and Hugo agreed to meet after the robbery. When Hugo entered the credit union, he brandished a silver revolver at three different victim tellers and demanded money. Each of the three tellers complied and gave Hugo a total of \$17,078.51. Hugo exited the credit union and ran down a hill behind a residence hall to the apartment complex where Savage was parked and waiting for him. Hugo and Savage then fled the area.

After the credit union robbery, Hugo gave Savage a portion of the money he took from the credit union. The following day, Hugo then fled the area and traveled to a residence in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where he eventually arrived in the early morning hours of December 18, 2015. In addition, investigators learned from interviewing individuals in Sioux Falls that Hugo had over \$10,000 on his person and a silver revolver with a brown handle. Surveillance video from the bank robbery shows Hugo with a revolver as described above. At the time of the robbery, the accounts at the credit union were insured by the National Credit Union Administration Board.

On December 17, 2015, law enforcement arrested Savage after they noticed the car Savage was driving matched witness accounts and surveillance video of the getaway vehicle used in the credit union robbery the day before. After Savage's arrest, he advised law enforcement he had just purchased a portable hard drive from Best Buy in Mankato. FBI agents went into Best Buy and confirmed that two \$20 bills and one \$50 bill matched the serial numbers of the bait money provided to Hugo when he robbed the credit union on December 16, 2015.

On December 18, 2015, Hugo was arrested in Cass County, Iowa. When he was arrested, he had \$1,019 on his person. He advised arresting officers his name was Gach Hugo and that they should be looking for his brother. Hugo then gave the officers a false social security number as well. Hugo was arrested with Jeff Bloomington, who had \$86 on his person, including two \$20 bills from the credit union robbery. He waived extradition to Minnesota on December 20, 2015, and was taken to the Blue Earth County Jail in Mankato, on that date.

Upon questioning by the FBI on multiple occasions, Hugo admitted to committing the credit union robbery. However, Hugo's recollection of where the gun and money were changed. He first told investigators he tossed the gun and money (in a Ziploc bag) into a river in Sioux Falls. When investigators failed to find the gun and money, even after Hugo drew them a map, he recanted. Hugo then advised he gave Savage \$3,000; bought 2 pounds of marijuana in Minneapolis for \$6,000; gave \$1,000 to another friend; and used the rest for hotels, drinks, food, clothes, and a rental car. Hugo also indicated the money was hidden behind a shed at a residence. After an exhaustive search, law enforcement did not find any money.

According to investigative materials, the only money located was the \$1,019 located on Hugo's person at the time of his arrest, the \$86 found on Jeff Bloomington, and an additional \$860 located by Savage's wife in their residence, which investigators later learned she reportedly burned.