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2 to stand trial in drug delivery case

The alleged leader of the Detroit Thug Lordz, a major dial-for- **drugs** gang that operated **in** northwest Detroit, is **to** go on **trial** today **in** U.S. District Court, with an alleged **drug** runner **in** the gang.

Isaias Quesada, 23, the alleged leader, and Omar Jay Gladson, 19, both of Detroit, are charged with multiple **drug** counts.

The gang used cell phones **to** take **drug** orders and couriers **to** deliver them. It trafficked **in** crack, powdered cocaine and marijuana, prosecutors said.

Quesada, who has a **drug** conviction, could face a mandatory 20 years **in** prison if convicted. He also is charged with being a felon **in** possession of ammunition.

Gladson, who has four convictions, could get a mandatory life prison sentence. He is charged with being a felon **in** possession of a firearm during a **drug** trafficking offense.

Seven other defendants pleaded guilty and some are expected **to** testify at the **trial**. The men's lawyers declined **to** comment.

Assault suspect jailed when mom brings him in

A mother's attempt **to** clear her son's name ended **in** his arrest on charges of sexual assault and home invasion, Detroit police said.

DeAndre Mullins, 29, was arrested Saturday after his mother saw video surveillance aired on TV newscasts showing him trying **to** break into a home, police said.

Mullins was arraigned Monday in Detroit's 36th District Court on multiple counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct and home invasion. He was allowed no bond.

He is accused of breaking into his victims' homes during the early morning and sexually assaulting them while threatening them with a weapon. The incidents were between Oct. 27 and Dec. 30.

The mother brought Mullins **to** the department's Northeastern District **to** clear him. Instead, three victims identified Mullins as the perpetrator, police said.

A preliminary exam is set for Jan. 18.

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