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## **BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS IN PRISON FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER FOR SHOOTING AT GROUP OF MEN, WOUNDING TWO**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 15 years in prison after pleading guilty to Attempted Murder in the second degree for wounding two men when he opened fire on a Longwood Street in broad daylight.

District Attorney Clark said, “The defendant approached a group of men standing near a car and shot the driver multiple times before shooting at the others, striking one of them. The gunfire occurred at 10 o’clock in the morning on a residential block, showing brazenness and disregard.”

The defendant, Jhoan Mota, 43, of 410 East 155 Street, was sentenced on January 29, 2025, to 15 years in prison and five years post-release supervision by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Joseph McCormack. He pleaded guilty to two counts of Attempted Murder in the second-degree on December 13, 2024.

According to the investigation, on April 21, 2022, at approximately 10:00 a.m. in front of 957 Kelly Street, the defendant approached a group of men next to a parked car. Mota briefly spoke to the man in the driver’s seat and then shot him three times at point blank range in his left arm and buttocks. The defendant fired two shots at the group as they fled. One victim was shot in the neck and his lower back and fell to the ground. Mota stood over his body and shot him in his right hand.

The case was prosecuted by Major Case Assistant District Attorney Sonja Jamelo of Trial Bureau 60, under the supervision of Michael Schordine, Deputy Chief of Trial Bureau 60, and Susanna Imbo, Chief of Trial Bureau 60, and under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Detective Domingo Cabreja of the 41st Precinct Detective Squad, Detective Jonathan Troncoso of the 40 Precinct Detective Squad and NYPD Officer Valentin Delorbe, of the Anti-Terrorism Unit (formerly of PSA 7).