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Investigation Leads to Guilty Plea in Large-Scale UPS Jewelry Theft Scheme

The Aberdeen Police Department concluded a complex investigation into a large-scale theft scheme involving high-value jewelry stolen from packages processed at the UPS Sorting and Distribution Center in Aberdeen.

The investigation revealed that Kazane Deravin, 40, an employee at the facility, targeted packages containing jewelry, removing items before deliveries were completed. Working in coordination with UPS Security, detectives identified a suspect through surveillance footage showing the removal and concealment of packages, as well as the disposal of shipping materials, before leaving the facility.

Further investigation uncovered extensive pawn activity linked to the suspect, including multiple jewelry transactions spanning several years. Detectives positively matched numerous stolen jewelry items to pawned property recovered from various pawn shops. The stolen items were traced to shipments from several jewelry retailers, including Saxon's Diamond Center, Zales, Jared, and Kay Jewelers.

The investigation ultimately identified approximately 23 stolen packages, with an estimated total loss exceeding \$174,000. Related police reports from neighboring jurisdictions corroborated losses tied to shipments processed through the Aberdeen UPS facility.

Criminal charges were filed in July 2025, and search warrants were approved and executed, resulting in the recovery of additional stolen jewelry and further strengthening the case. Deravin later admitted involvement in the theft scheme.

On December 11, 2025, Deravin entered a guilty plea to Theft Scheme \$100,000 plus and was sentenced to ten years of incarceration. His sentence was suspended to allow him to obtain employment for restitution purposes. The court ordered restitution to multiple victims across Harford and Baltimore counties.

This investigation brought an end to a theft operation impacting businesses and consumers throughout the region.

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