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(S.D.)-Eight On Pine Ridge Indicted On Federal Drug Charges



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PINE RIDGE, S.D. (AP) - Eight people on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in southern South Dakota have been indicted on federal drug charges.

U.S. Attorney Brendan Johnson says the suspects allegedly conspired for 20 years to distribute cocaine and marijuana, beginning in 1993.

The suspects range in age from 26 to 48. They have pleaded not guilty. Two suspects have been released on bond while the others remain in custody pending trial.

A trial date hasn't been set. Each suspect faces up to 40 years in prison if convicted.