

'Stop Snitching' figure enters a plea of guilty

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A 29-year-old man who appeared numerous times in the first *Stop Snitching* video pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court in Baltimore yesterday to conspiracy to distribute cocaine, gun possession and other charges, according to the Maryland U.S. attorney's office.

Sherman Kemp of Baltimore could face life in prison without parole.

The video, a rambling, profanity-laced ode to street life, became a local political prop and a national emblem of Baltimore's crime problems.

Between March and May of last year, Kemp purchased at least 5 kilograms of cocaine in New York and supplied the drugs to lower-level dealers in Baltimore, federal prosecutors said. Kemp also owned a handgun, which he was prohibited from having because of his criminal record, prosecutors said.

Kemp faced charges under the Maryland Exile program, which allows for long sentences for felons caught with firearms. Sentencing is scheduled for Oct. 10.