## IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 99-30370 Summary Calendar

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

versus

WARREN D. JONES; RODERICK OLIVER,

Defendants-Appellants.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana USDC No. 98-CR-30019-1

December 22, 1999

Before DAVIS, EMILIO M. GARZA, and DENNIS, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:\*

Warren D. Jones and Roderick Oliver appeal their convictions for various drug and firearms convictions. The Government has filed a motion to supplement the record on appeal. The motion is DENIED.

The defendants contend that the district court abused its discretion in denying their severance motion. Jones argues that the district court abused its discretion in denying his motion

<sup>\*</sup> Pursuant to 5th Cir. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5th Cir. R. 47.5.4.

for a mistrial based on the Government's delay in disclosing one of his taped conversations. Oliver contends that the district court should have granted his motion for acquittal pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 29 based on the insufficiency of the evidence. Oliver also argues that the district court erred in concluding that his confession during custodial interrogation was voluntary and therefore admissible at trial.

Our review of the record and the arguments and authorities convinces us that no reversible error was committed. The district court did not abuse its discretion in denying the defendants' motion for severance. See United States v. Falkner, 17 F.3d 745, 759 (5th Cir. 1994). The district court did not abuse its broad discretion by declining to employ the drastic remedy of granting Jones's motion for a mistrial. See United <u>States v. Bentley</u>, 875 F.2d 1114, 1118 (5th Cir. 1989). The evidence was sufficient for a reasonable jury to find Oliver guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. See United States v. Moser, 123 F.3d 813, 819 (5th Cir. 1997). The district court did not err in concluding that the totality of circumstances showed that Oliver's confession was voluntary. See United States v. Mullin, 178 F.3d 334, 341 (5th Cir.), cert. denied, 120 S. Ct. 454 (1999).

AFFIRMED.