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**IOTAZO-REYES** 

18 U.S.C. § 371

18 U.S.C. § 1168(b)

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18 U.S.C. § 1030(a)(4)

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18 U.S.C. § 1957

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18 U.S.C. § 1030(i)

18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1)

#### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

MICHEL ALEU,

MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU,

a/k/a "Maria Aleu,"

a/k/a "Maria D. Aleu,"

LESTER LAVIN,

ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA,

a/k/a "Anisleydi Vergel,"

YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN,

a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin,"

a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen,"

MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES,

a/k/a "Milagros Marileisis Acosta Torres,"

a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta Torres,"

a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta,"

a/k/a "Milagros M. Torres,"

LEONARDO BETANCOURT, and

YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN,

a/k/a "Yusmary S. Duran Mejia,"

Defendants.

#### **INDICTMENT**

The Grand Jury charges that:

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

At various times material to this Indictment:

### Miccosukee Resort & Gaming

- 1. Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida (the "Miccosukee Tribe") was an Indian tribe, band, and nation recognized by the United States of America.
- 2. Miccosukee Resort & Gaming ("Miccosukee Gaming") was a gaming establishment in Miami-Dade County, Florida, operated by and for, and licensed by, the Miccosukee Tribe, through the Miccosukee Tribal Gaming Agency ("MTGA"), pursuant to an ordinance and resolution approved by the National Indian Gaming Commission ("NIGC").
- 3. Miccosukee Gaming issued gaming licenses to certain employees ("individual licensees") as a term and condition of employment in its gaming establishment.

### **AGS Electronic Gaming Machines**

- 4. AGS, a/k/a PlayAGS, Inc. ("AGS"), was a designer, manufacturer, supplier, and servicer of Electronic Gaming Machines ("EGMs"), including video slot machines, which it sold or leased to tribal gaming establishments. AGS's headquarters was located in Las Vegas, Nevada, and AGS EGMs were manufactured outside of Florida.
- 5. Miccosukee Gaming purchased and leased EGMs from AGS for use at its gaming establishment in Miami-Dade County. The AGS EGMs contained electronic, magnetic, optical, electrochemical, or other high speed data processing devices, which performed logical, arithmetic, or storage functions, and were directly related to and operated in conjunction with data storage facilities. Further, the AGS EGMs located at Miccosukee Gaming were used in and affected interstate and foreign commerce, and therefore, were "computers" and "protected computers" as those terms are defined in Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(e)(1) and 1030(e)(2)(B).

6. Miccosukee Gaming's EGMs did not have slots in which players could insert coins. Even though the EGMs did not receive coins, the EGMs' software was designed to recognize the insertion of coins, by recording a "coin-in" amount. The "coin-in" amount was the monetary value of coins supposedly inserted in the EGM.

#### **Defendants**

- 7. Defendant **MICHEL ALEU** was an individual who resided in Miami-Dade County, and an employee, and an individual licensee of Miccosukee Gaming.
- 8. Defendant MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU, a/k/a "Maria Aleu," a/k/a "Maria D. Aleu" ("MARIA ALEU") was an individual who resided in Miami-Dade County.
- 9. Defendant **LESTER LAVIN** ("LAVIN") was an individual who resided in Miami-Dade County, and an employee, and an individual licensee of Miccosukee Gaming.
- 10. Defendant ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA, a/k/a "Anisleydi Vergel" ("VERGEL") was an individual who resided in Miami-Dade County.
- 11. Defendant YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN, a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin," a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen" ("JORRIN") was an individual who resided in Miami-Dade County, and an employee, and an individual licensee of Miccosukee Gaming.
- 12. Defendant MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES, a/k/a "Milagros Marileisis Acosta Torres," a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta Torres," a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta," a/k/a "Milagros M. Torres" ("ACOSTA") was an individual who resided in Miami-Dade County.
- 13. Defendant **LEONARDO BETANCOURT** ("BETANCOURT") was an individual who resided in Miami-Dade County, and an employee, and an individual licensee of Miccosukee Gaming.

14. Defendant YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN, a/k/a "Yusmary S. Duran Mejia," ("DURAN") was an individual who resided in Miami-Dade County.

#### **Financial Institutions**

- 15. Bank of America, N.A. ("Bank of America"), Branch Banking and Trust Company ("BB&T"), JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("Chase Bank"), and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. ("Wells Fargo Bank"), were banks whose deposits were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") in accordance with Chapter 16, Title 12, United States Code, and were "insured banks" as defined in Title 12, United States Code, Section 1813(h). Accordingly, Bank of America, BB&T, Chase Bank, and Wells Fargo Bank were "financial institutions" as defined in Title 31, United States Code, Section 5312(a)(2)(A), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(c)(6)(A).
- 16. Wells Fargo Home Mortgage was a loan or finance company. Accordingly, Wells Fargo Home Mortgage was a "financial institution" as defined in Title 31, United States Code, Section 5312(a)(2)(P), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(c)(6)(A).
- 17. La Mesa RV Center, Inc., Lorenzo Bomnin Chevrolet, Bomnin Chevrolet Dadeland, f/k/a Bomnin Chevrolet Kendall, and Off Lease Only, Inc., were businesses engaged in vehicle sales; accordingly, they were "financial institutions" as defined in Title 31, United States Code, Section 5312(a)(2)(T), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(c)(6)(A).

# COUNT 1 Conspiracy to Embezzle More Than \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment (18 U.S.C. § 371)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 to 7, 9, 11, and 13 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
  - 2. From on or about January 29, 2011, and continuing through on or about May 27,

2015, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

MICHEL ALEU, LESTER LAVIN, YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN, a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin," a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen," and LEONARDO BETANCOURT,

did knowingly and willfully combine, conspire, confederate, and agree with each other and with other persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit offenses against the United States, that is, being employees and individual licensees of a gaming establishment operated by and for and licensed by an Indian tribe, that is Miccosukee Gaming, pursuant to an ordinance or resolution approved by the National Indian Gaming Commission, to embezzle, abstract, purloin, willfully misapply, and take and carry away with intent to steal, moneys, funds, assets, and other property of such gaming establishment, having a value in excess of \$1,000, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1168(b).

### **PURPOSE OF THE CONSPIRACY**

3. It was the purpose of the conspiracy for the defendants and their co-conspirators to unjustly enrich themselves by causing Miccosukee Gaming's EGMs to generate false and fraudulent credit vouchers, which the defendants and their co-conspirators presented to Miccosukee Gaming, in exchange for cash, for their personal use and benefit.

### MANNER AND MEANS OF THE CONSPIRACY

4. The defendants and their co-conspirators employed a method of generating and recording false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts totaling thousands of dollars, on the EGMs. The defendants and their co-conspirators would then cause the EGMs to generate false and fraudulent credit vouchers for "coin-in" amounts. They would then enlist co-conspirators to redeem those vouchers for cash in excess of \$1,000 at Miccosukee Gaming.

- 5. To generate and record the false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts, the defendants and their conspirators would open an EGM, and connect one end of a wire to a location inside the EGM where a device that would recognize coins might be attached. They would then connect the other end of the wire to another metal surface inside the cabinet which would cause the EGM to generate and record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts. On occasions when the defendants and their co-conspirators caused an EGM to generate and record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts, they would cause the EGM to generate, record, and print false and fraudulent credit vouchers for all or some of the "coin-in" amounts. In an attempt to conceal their fraudulent activity, the defendants and their co-conspirators would typically conduct a "hard reset" or "RAM clear" of the EGM, which would delete the history of the false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts from the EGM.
- 6. The defendants then enlisted co-conspirators to present the false and fraudulent credit vouchers to Miccosukee Gaming in exchange for cash. The defendants' co-conspirators redeemed the false and fraudulent vouchers by: inserting them in Miccosukee Gaming's on-site ATMs; presenting them to cashiers on the floor of the casino; and presenting them to Miccosukee Gaming's treasury.
- 7. Pursuant to the aforesaid manner and means, the defendants and their coconspirators embezzled approximately \$5.3 million from Miccosukee Gaming.

#### **OVERT ACTS**

In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to achieve the objects thereof, at least one of the conspirators committed and caused to be committed, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, at least one of the following overt acts, among others:

8. On or about March 14, 2011, **LESTER LAVIN** caused a RAM clear on AGS EGM

number PT902-22.

- 9. On or about November 26, 2011, **MICHEL ALEU** caused a RAM clear on AGS EGM number PT927-16.
- 10. On or about January 25, 2012, **LEONARDO BETANCOURT** caused a RAM clear on AGS EGM number PT914-09.
- 11. On or about June 27, 2012, **YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN** caused a RAM clear on AGS EGM number PT918-11.
- 12. On or about May 4, 2015, **YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN** accessed AGS EGM number PT906-08, and caused that EGM to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts.
- 13. On or about May 4, 2015, **YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN** accessed AGS EGM number PT906-08, and caused that EGM to generate false and fraudulent credit vouchers.
- 14. On or about May 6, 2015, **LESTER LAVIN** and **LEONARDO BETANCOURT** accessed EGM number PT910-09, and caused that EGM to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts.
- 15. On or about May 6, 2015, **LESTER LAVIN** and **LEONARDO BETANCOURT** caused the withdrawal of approximately \$1,197.25 from Miccosukee Gaming ATM no. CT102, in exchange for a false and fraudulent credit voucher number ending in 3009, which they caused to be inserted in that ATM.
- 16. On or about May 27, 2015, LESTER LAVIN caused EGM number PT909-09 to generate false and fraudulent credit vouchers.
- 17. On or about May 27, 2015, **YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN** accessed AGS EGM number PT917-07, and caused that EGM to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts.
  - 18. On or about May 27, 2015, MICHEL ALEU engaged a Miccosukee Gaming

Security Officer in conversation, while the Security Officer was at AGS EGM number PT917-07 to observe **YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN** service that EGM.

19. On or about May 27, 2015, **YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN** and **MICHEL ALEU** caused the withdrawal of approximately \$1,149 from Miccosukee Gaming ATM no.

CT105, in exchange for a false and fraudulent credit voucher number ending in 2829, which they caused to be inserted in that ATM.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371.

# COUNTS 2-8 Embezzlement of More Than \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment (18 U.S.C. § 1168(b))

- 1. Paragraphs 1 to 7, 9, 11, and 13 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. On or about the dates specified below as to each defendant, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

MICHEL ALEU, LESTER LAVIN, YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN, a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin," a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen," and LEONARDO BETANCOURT,

being employees and individual licensees of a gaming establishment operated by and for and licensed by an Indian tribe, that is Miccosukee Gaming, pursuant to an ordinance or resolution approved by the National Indian Gaming Commission, did embezzle, abstract, purloin, willfully misapply, and take and carry away with intent to steal, money, funds, assets, and other property of Miccosukee Gaming of a value in excess of \$1,000:

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	ACT(S) OF
	DATE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	EMBEZZLEMENT
2	5/4/2015	YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN	Withdrawal of more than
			\$1,000 in cash from
			Miccosukee Gaming ATM no.
			CT102, in exchange for false
			and fraudulent credit vouchers
			inserted in that ATM,
			including voucher numbers
			ending in: 7887 for \$1,197;
			6100 for \$1,148; 0107 for
			\$1,194.03; 3862 for \$1,191;
	5/5/2015	I FON ADDO DET ANCOUNT	and 9662 for \$1,191
3	5/5/2015	LEONARDO BETANCOURT	Withdrawal of more than
			\$1,000 in cash from
			Miccosukee Gaming ATM
			nos. CT102 and CT104, in exchange for false and
			fraudulent credit vouchers
			inserted in those ATMs,
			including voucher numbers
			ending in: 3141 for \$1,149.25;
			0800 for \$1,195.17; 9338 for
			\$1,164.01; 9344 for \$1,194;
			and 6076 for \$1,147.10
4	5/6/2015	LESTER LAVIN and	Withdrawal of more than
	370/2013	LEONARDO BETANCOURT	\$1,000 in cash from
			Miccosukee Gaming ATM
			nos. CT105 and CT102, in
			exchange for false and
			fraudulent credit vouchers
			inserted in those ATMs,
			including voucher numbers
			ending in: 8978 for \$1,145.31;
			2803 for \$1,194.40; 3279 for
			\$1,147; 3209 for \$1,195; 8029
			for \$1,154.10; and 3009 for
			\$1,197.25

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	ACT(S) OF
	DATE		EMBEZZLEMENT
5	5/6/2015	LESTER LAVIN and LEONARDO BETANCOURT	Withdrawal of more than \$1,000 in cash from Miccosukee Gaming ATM nos. CT102 and CT103, in exchange for false and fraudulent credit vouchers inserted in those ATMs, including voucher numbers ending in: 6720 for \$1,199.01; 4123 for \$1,154.25; 2241 for \$1,197; 3254 for \$1,194.05; 4748 for \$1,144.02; and 4426 for \$1,157.06
6	5/12/2015	YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN	Withdrawal of more than \$1,000 in cash from Miccosukee Gaming ATM nos. CT102 and CT105, in exchange for false and fraudulent credit vouchers inserted in those ATMs, including voucher numbers ending in: 1027 for \$1,151.52; 0272 for \$1,197.05; 5962 for \$1,150.02; 4636 for \$1,197.05; and 8800 for \$1,197
7	5/27/2015	LESTER LAVIN	Withdrawal of more than \$1,000 in cash from Miccosukee Gaming ATM nos. CT103, CT101, and CT105, in exchange for false and fraudulent credit vouchers inserted in those ATMs, including voucher numbers ending in: 9357 for \$1,149.25; 0827 for \$1,199.55; 1815 for \$1,198; 0367 for \$1,196.80; 9048 for \$1,144; and 2116 for \$1,147

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	ACT(S) OF
	DATE		EMBEZZLEMENT
8	5/27/2015	MICHEL ALEU and	Withdrawal of more than
		YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN	\$1,000 in cash from
			Miccosukee Gaming ATM
			nos. CT105 and CT102, in
			exchange for false and
			fraudulent credit vouchers
			inserted in those ATMs,
			including voucher numbers
			ending in: 2829 for \$1,149;
			3245 for \$1,146; and 1529 for
			\$1,185.65

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1168(b) and 2.

# COUNT 9 Conspiracy to Commit Computer Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1030(b))

- 1. Paragraphs 1 to 7, 9, 11, and 13 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. The allegations in the Manner and Means section of Count 1 of this Indictment are re-alleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 3. From on or about January 29, 2011, and continuing through on or about May 27, 2015, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

MICHEL ALEU, LESTER LAVIN, YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN, a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin," a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen," and LEONARDO BETANCOURT,

did knowingly and willfully combine, conspire, confederate, and agree with each other and with other persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to knowingly and with intent to defraud, access a protected computer without authorization, and exceed authorized access, and by means of such conduct further the intended fraud and obtain anything of value, in violation of Title 18,

United States Code, Section 1030(a)(4).

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(b).

### COUNTS 10-16 Computer Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1030(a)(4))

- 1. Paragraphs 1 to 7, 9, 11, and 13 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. On or about the dates specified below as to each defendant, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

### MICHEL ALEU, LESTER LAVIN, YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN, a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin," a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen," and LEONARDO BETANCOURT,

did knowingly and with intent to defraud, access a protected computer without authorization, and exceed authorized access, and by means of such conduct further the intended fraud and obtain anything of value:

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	ACCESS
	DATE		
10	5/4/2015	YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN	Alteration of information on
			AGS EGM no. PT906-08, to
			record false and fraudulent
			"coin-in" amounts, and obtain
			false and fraudulent credit
	!		vouchers, including vouchers
			ending in: 7887 for \$1,197;
			6100 for \$1,148; 0107 for
			\$1,194.03; 3862 for \$1,191;
			9662 for \$1,191; and 2538 for
			\$499.75

COUNT	APPROX. DATE	DEFENDANT(S)	ACCESS
11	5/5/2015	LEONARDO BETANCOURT	Alteration of information on AGS EGM no. PT925-10, to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts, and obtain false and fraudulent credit vouchers, including vouchers ending in: 3141 for \$1,149.25; 0800 for \$1,195.17; 9338 for \$1,164.01; 9344 for \$1,194; 6076 for \$1,147.10; and 7270 for \$1,202.02
12	5/6/2015	LESTER LAVIN and LEONARDO BETANCOURT	Alteration of information on AGS EGM no. PT910-09, to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts, and obtain false and fraudulent credit vouchers, including voucher numbers ending in: 8978 for \$1,145.31; 3279 for \$1,147; 3209 for \$1,195; 8029 for \$1,154.10; 3009 for \$1,197.25; 2803 for \$1,194.40; and 3149 for \$520
13	5/6/2015	LESTER LAVIN and LEONARDO BETANCOURT	Alteration of information on AGS EGM no. PT920-17, to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts, and obtain false and fraudulent credit vouchers, including voucher numbers ending in: 6720 for \$1,199.01; 4748 for \$1,144.02; 4426 for \$1,157.06; 4123 for \$1,154.25; 2241 for \$1,197; and 3254 for \$1,194.05
14	5/12/2015	YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN	Alteration of information on AGS EGM no. PT913-13, to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts, and obtain false and fraudulent credit vouchers, including voucher numbers ending in: 1027 for \$1,151.52; 0272 for \$1,197.05; 5962 for \$1,150.02; 4636 for \$1,197.05; and 8800 for \$1,197

COUNT	APPROX. DATE	DEFENDANT(S)	ACCESS
15	5/27/2015	LESTER LAVIN	Alteration of information on AGS EGM no. PT909-09, to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts, and obtain false and fraudulent credit vouchers, including voucher numbers ending in: 9357 for \$1,149.25; 0827 for \$1,199.55; 1815 for \$1,198; 0367 for \$1,196.80; 9048 for \$1,144; and 2116 for \$1,147
16	5/27/2015	MICHEL ALEU and YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN	Alteration of information on AGS EGM no. PT917-07, to record false and fraudulent "coin-in" amounts, and obtain false and fraudulent credit vouchers, including voucher numbers ending in: 2829 for \$1,149; 3245 for \$1,146; 1529 for \$1,185.65; and 1124 for \$1,185.65

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(4) and 2

### COUNT 17 Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses (18.S.C. § 1956(h))

- 1. Paragraphs 7, 8, and 15 to 17 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. From in or around January 2011, and continuing through in or around March 2016, in Miami-Dade, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie Counties, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

MICHEL ALEU and MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU, a/k/a "Maria Aleu," a/k/a "Maria D. Aleu,"

did knowingly and voluntarily combine, conspire, confederate, and agree with each other and with

other persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit certain offenses against the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956 and 1957, that is:

- (a) to knowingly conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that such financial transaction was designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i);
- (b) to knowingly conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that such financial transaction was designed in whole and in part to avoid a transaction reporting requirement under State and Federal law, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(ii); and
- (c) to knowingly engage in a monetary transaction affecting interstate commerce, by, through, and to a financial institution, in criminally derived property having a value of more than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, and knowing that the property involved in the monetary transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957.

It is further alleged that the specified unlawful activity is computer fraud, in violation of

Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(4) and 2.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h).

# COUNT 18 Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses (18.S.C. § 1956(h))

- 1. Paragraphs 9, 10, and 15 to 17 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. From in or around January 2011, and continuing through in or around July 2016, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

### LESTER LAVIN and ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA, a/k/a "Anisleydi Vergel,"

did knowingly and voluntarily combine, conspire, confederate, and agree with each other and with other persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit certain offenses against the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956 and 1957, that is:

- (a) to knowingly conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that such financial transaction was designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i);
- (b) to knowingly conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate

and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that such financial transaction was designed in whole and in part to avoid a transaction reporting requirement under State and Federal law, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(ii); and

(c) to knowingly engage in a monetary transaction affecting interstate commerce, by, through, and to a financial institution, in criminally derived property having a value of more than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, and knowing that the property involved in the monetary transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957.

It is further alleged that the specified unlawful activity is computer fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(4) and 2.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h).

# COUNT 19 Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses (18 U.S.C. § 1956(h))

- 1. Paragraphs 11, 12, and 15 to 17 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. From in or around January 2011, and continuing through in or around October 2018, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN, a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin," a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen," and MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES, a/k/a "Milagros Marileisis Acosta Torres," a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta Torres," a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta," a/k/a "Milagros M. Torres," did knowingly and voluntarily combine, conspire, confederate, and agree with each other and with other persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit certain offenses against the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956 and 1957, that is:

- (a) to knowingly conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that such financial transaction was designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i);
- (b) to knowingly conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that such financial transaction was designed in whole and in part to avoid a transaction reporting requirement under State and Federal law, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(ii); and
- (c) to knowingly engage in a monetary transaction affecting interstate commerce, by, through, and to a financial institution, in criminally derived property having a value of more than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, and knowing that the property involved in the monetary transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957.

It is further alleged that the specified unlawful activity is computer fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(4) and 2.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h).

### COUNT 20 Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses (18 U.S.C. § 1956(h))

- 1. Paragraphs 13 to 17 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are realleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. From in or around January 2011, and continuing through in or around October 2018, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

### LEONARDO BETANCOURT and YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN, a/k/a "Yusmary S. Duran Mejia,"

did knowingly and voluntarily combine, conspire, confederate, and agree with each other and with other persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit certain offenses against the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956 and 1957, that is:

- (a) to knowingly conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that such financial transaction was designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i);
  - (b) to knowingly conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign

commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that such financial transaction was designed in whole and in part to avoid a transaction reporting requirement under State and Federal law, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(ii); and

(c) to knowingly engage in a monetary transaction affecting interstate commerce, by, through, and to a financial institution, in criminally derived property having a value of more than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, and knowing that the property involved in the monetary transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957.

It is further alleged that the specified unlawful activity is computer fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(4) and 2.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h)

# COUNTS 21-48 Money Laundering (18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii))

- 1. Paragraphs 7 to 17 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are realleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. On or about the dates specified below as to each defendant, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

MICHEL ALEU,
MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU,
a/k/a "Maria Aleu,"
a/k/a "Maria D. Aleu,"
LESTER LAVIN,
ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA,

a/k/a "Anisleydi Vergel,"
YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN,
a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin,"
a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen,"
MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES,
a/k/a "Milagros Marileisis Acosta Torres,"
a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta Torres,"
a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta,"
a/k/a "Milagros M. Torres,"
LEONARDO BETANCOURT, and
YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN,
a/k/a "Yusmary S. Duran Mejia,"

did knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct financial transactions affecting interstate and foreign commerce, and involving the use of a financial institution the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which involved the proceeds of a specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the financial transactions represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and knowing that the transactions were designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, and to avoid a transaction reporting requirement under State and Federal law, and as more particularly described in each count below:

MICHEL ALEU and MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU COUNTS

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	FINANCIAL
	DATE		TRANSACTION
21	5/21/2015	MICHEL ALEU and	Deposit of approximately
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	\$9,000 in cash in Chase Bank
			account ending in 3733, in
			Miami-Dade County
22	5/26/2015	MICHEL ALEU and	Deposit of approximately
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	\$8,000 in cash in Chase Bank
			account ending in 3733, in
			Miami-Dade County

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	FINANCIAL
22	DATE 5/20/2015	MICHEL ALEH	TRANSACTION
23	5/26/2015	MICHEL ALEU and	Negotiation of check no. 1470,
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	in the amount of approximately
			\$22,300, payable to Shores
			Development, Inc. Escrow,
			drawn on Chase Bank account
			ending in 3733, in Miami-Dade
			County, for the escrow deposit
			for the purchase of real property
			located at 13104 S.W. 211th
			Terrace, Miami, Florida 33177
24	1/20/2016	MICHEL ALEU and	Deposit of Chase Bank cashier's
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	check no. 1032410983, for
			\$8,000, payable to Maria D.
			Aleu, and Chase Bank cashier's
			check no. 1032410984, for
			\$7,000, payable to Maria D.
			Aleu, in Bank of America
			account ending in 9583, in
			Miami-Dade County
25	1/25/2016	MICHEL ALEU and	Deposit of Palm Beach R.V.,
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	Inc.'s check no. 022497, in the
			amount of approximately
			\$49,000, payable to MARIA
			<b>DEL PILAR ALEU</b> , proceeds
			from the sale of a Heartland
			Cyclone 4200 trailer with VIN
			ending in 2559, in Bank of
			America account ending in
			9583, in Miami-Dade County
26	3/24/2016	MICHEL ALEU and	Wire-transfer of approximately
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	\$95,844.40 from Bank of
			America account ending in
			9583, in Miami-Dade County, to
			Title Services of Dade County,
			Inc.'s U.S. Century Bank
			account ending in 3781, in
			Miami-Dade County, for the
			cash-to-close for the purchase of
			real property located at 13104
			S.W. 211th Terrace, Miami,
			Florida 33177

### LESTER LAVIN and ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA COUNTS

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	FINANCIAL
	DATE		TRANSACTION
27	9/16/2014	LESTER LAVIN and	Deposit of approximately
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$9,000 in cash in Bank of
		HERMIDA	America account ending in
			6471, in Miami-Dade County
28	11/17/2014	LESTER LAVIN	Withdrawal of approximately
			\$5,779.42 from Chase Bank
			account ending in 3760, in
			Miami-Dade County; and
			purchase of Chase Bank
			cashier's check no. 1649510863,
			in the amount of approximately
			\$5,779.42, payable to Florida
			Prepaid College Plan, for
			Florida Prepaid College plan no.
			1115378443
29	12/4/2014	LESTER LAVIN	Transfer of approximately
			\$27,278.94 from Chase Bank
			account ending in 7475, in
			Miami-Dade County, to Florida
			Prepaid College Board, for
			Florida Prepaid College plan no.
			9100062307
30	12/26/2014	LESTER LAVIN	Deposit of approximately
			\$9,000 in cash in Chase Bank
			account ending in 3760, in
			Miami-Dade County.
31	12/26/2014	LESTER LAVIN and	Deposit of approximately
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$9,000 in cash in Bank of
		HERMIDA	America account ending in
32	12/20/2014	T DOWNER T ANTEN	6471, in Miami-Dade County
32	12/30/2014	LESTER LAVIN	Transfer of approximately
			\$9,000, from Bank of America
			account ending in 6471, in
			Miami-Dade County, to Dade
			County Federal Credit Union
33	12/30/2014	LESTER LAVIN	account ending in 4215 Transfer of approximately
33	12/30/2014	LESIER LAVIN	\$9,000, from Chase Bank
			account ending in 3760, in
			Miami-Dade County, to Dade
			County Federal Credit Union
			account ending in 4215

COUNT	APPROX. DATE	DEFENDANT(S)	FINANCIAL TRANSACTION
34	3/17/2015	LESTER LAVIN and	Deposit of approximately
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$9,000 in cash in Wells Fargo
		HERMIDA	Bank account ending in 2138, in
			Miami-Dade County
35	4/21/2015	LESTER LAVIN and	Deposit of approximately
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$8,000 in cash in Wells Fargo
		HERMIDA	Bank account ending in 2138, in
			Miami-Dade County
36	5/26/2015	<b>LESTER LAVIN and</b>	Deposit of approximately
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$9,000 in cash in Wells Fargo
		HERMIDA	Bank account ending in 2138, in
			Miami-Dade Count
37	6/1/2015	LESTER LAVIN	Withdrawal of approximately
			\$4,440.57 in cash from Chase
			Bank account ending in 7475, in
			Miami-Dade County, for the
			purchase of Chase Bank cashier
			checks numbered 1173417328,
			1173417329, and 1173417330,
			all payable to La Rive Gauche
20	C/1/2015	TECOPED I ANIM	Condo Association
38	6/1/2015	LESTER LAVIN and	Withdrawal of approximately
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$44,006.42 from Wells Fargo
		HERMIDA	Bank account ending in 2138, in Miami-Dade County
39	6/1/2015	I ESTED I AVIN and	
39	0/1/2013	LESTER LAVIN and ANISLEYDI VERGEL	Deposit of approximately \$44,006.42 in Wells Fargo Bank
		HERMIDA	account ending in 3934, in
		HERMIDA	Miami-Dade County
40	8/11/2015	LESTER LAVIN and	Deposit of approximately
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$8,000 in Wells Fargo Bank
		HERMIDA	account ending in 3934, in
			Miami-Dade County.
41	9/24/2015	LESTER LAVIN and	Deposit of approximately
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$8,500 in Wells Fargo Bank
		HERMIDA	account ending in 3934, in
			Miami-Dade County

# YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN and MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES COUNTS

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	FINANCIAL
42	<b>DATE</b> 3/31/2015	VOHANDED JODDIN	TRANSACTION
42	3/31/2013	YOHANDER JORRIN	Withdrawal of approximately
		MELHEN and	\$27,250.34 from Chase Bank
		MILAGROS MARILE	account ending in 3952, in
		ACOSTA TORRES	Miami-Dade County, for the
			purchase of Chase Bank
			cashier's check no. 1173012831
			in the amount of approximately
			\$27,250.34, payable to Florida
			Prepaid College Board, for
			Florida Prepaid College plan no.
12	5/2/2015	WOW ANDED TODDIN	9100072223
43	5/3/2015	YOHANDER JORRIN	Payment of approximately
		MELHEN and	\$19,000 in cash to Lorenzo
		MILAGROS MARILE	Bomnin Chevrolet, in Miami-
		ACOSTA TORRES	Dade County, as partial payment
			for a Chevrolet Tahoe truck with
- 44	1/25/2016	WOW ANDER TORRY	VIN ending in 7642
44	1/25/2016	YOHANDER JORRIN	Deposit of Carmax check no.
		MELHEN and	7110099807, in the amount of
		MILAGROS MARILE	approximately \$31,091.39,
		ACOSTA TORRES	payable to Milagros Marile
			Acosta Torres, proceeds from
			the sale of a Chevy Tahoe truck
			with VIN ending in 7642, in
			Chase Bank account ending in
45	3/5/2016	YOHANDER JORRIN	3952, in Miami-Dade County  Negotiation of check no. 196, in
43	3/3/2010	MELHEN and	the amount of approximately
		MILAGROS MARILE	\$12,950, payable to Off Lease
		ACOSTA TORRES	Only, Inc., drawn on Chase
		ACOSTA TORRES	Bank account ending in 3952, in
			Miami-Dade County, as
			payment for a Toyota Avalon
			automobile, with VIN ending in
			4218
			7210

COUNT	APPROX. DATE	DEFENDANT(S)	FINANCIAL TRANSACTION
46	10/8/2018	YOHANDER JORRIN	Deposit of Carmax check no.
		<b>MELHEN</b> and	7110124178, in the amount of
		MILAGROS MARILE	\$13,000, payable to Milagros
		ACOSTA TORRES	Marile Acosta Torres,
			proceeds from the sale of a
			Toyota Avalon automobile with
			VIN ending in 4218, in Chase
			Bank account ending in 3952, in
			Miami-Dade County
47	10/15/2018	YOHANDER JORRIN	Withdrawal of approximately
		<b>MELHEN</b> and	\$14,500 from Chase Bank
		MILAGROS MARILE	account ending in 3952, in
		ACOSTA TORRES	Miami-Dade County, for the
			purchase of Chase Bank
1			cashier's check no. 1173020046
			for \$14,500, payable to "John
			Doe," as partial payment for a
			Ford F-150 truck with VIN
			ending in 2044

#### LEONARDO BETANCOURT and YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN COUNT

COUNT	APPROX. DATE	DEFENDANT(S)	FINANCIAL TRANSACTION
48	4/11/2016	LEONARDO BETANCOURT, and YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN	Transfer of approximately \$28,737.80 from BB&T account ending in 1989, in Miami-Dade County, to Florida Prepaid
			College Savings Plans, for Florida Prepaid College plan no. 9100776633

It is further alleged that the specified unlawful activity is computer fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(4) and 2.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii), and 2.

### COUNTS 49-62 Money Laundering (18 U.S.C. § 1957)

1. Paragraphs 7 to 17 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are realleged and fully incorporated herein by reference.

2. On or about the dates specified below as to each defendant, in Miami-Dade, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie Counties, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

MICHEL ALEU, MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU, a/k/a "Maria Aleu," a/k/a "Maria D. Aleu," LESTER LAVIN, ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA, a/k/a "Anisleydi Vergel," YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN, a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin," a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen," MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES, a/k/a "Milagros Marileisis Acosta Torres," a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta Torres," a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta," a/k/a "Milagros M. Torres," LEONARDO BETANCOURT, and YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN, a/k/a "Yusmary S. Duran Mejia,"

did knowingly engage in and attempt to engage in monetary transactions affecting interstate commerce, by, through, and to a financial institution, in criminally derived property having a value of more than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, and knowing that the property involved in the monetary transactions represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, as more particularly described in each count below:

MICHEL ALEU and MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU COUNTS

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	MONETARY
	DATE		TRANSACTION
49	7/17/2014	MICHEL ALEU and	Payment of approximately
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	\$41,700 in cash to La Mesa RV
			Center, Inc., in St. Lucie County,
			for the purchase of a Heartland
			Elkridge 38RSRT trailer, with
			VIN ending in 8804

COUNT	APPROX. DATE	DEFENDANT(S)	MONETARY TRANSACTION
50	2/7/2015	MICHEL ALEU and	
30	2/1/2013	MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	Payment of approximately \$51,259 in cash to La Mesa RV
]		WAKIA DEL FILAK ALEU	Center, Inc., in Palm Beach
			County, for the purchase of a
			Heartland Cyclone 4200 trailer,
<i>E</i> 1	5/26/2015	MICHEL ALEHI	with VIN ending in 2559
51	5/26/2015	MICHEL ALEU and	Negotiation of check no. 1470,
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	in the amount of approximately
			\$22,300, payable to Shores
			Development, Inc. Escrow, drawn on Chase Bank account
1			ending in 3733, in Miami-Dade
			County, for the escrow deposit
			for the purchase of real property located at 13104 S.W. 211th
50	2/24/2016	MICHEL ALEXI I	Terrace, Miami, Florida 33177
52	3/24/2016	MICHEL ALEU and	Wire-transfer of approximately
		MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU	\$95,844.40 from Bank of
			America account ending in
			9583, in Miami-Dade County, to
			Title Services of Dade County,
			Inc.'s U.S. Century Bank
			account ending in 3781, in
			Miami-Dade County, for the
			cash-to-close for the purchase of
			real property located at 13104
			S.W. 211th Terrace, Miami,
			Florida 33177

### LESTER LAVIN and ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA COUNTS

COUNT	APPROX. DATE	DEFENDANT(S)	MONETARY TRANSACTION
53	12/4/2014	LESTER LAVIN	Transfer of approximately \$27,278.94 from Chase Bank account ending in 7475, in Miami-Dade County, to Florida Prepaid College, for Florida Prepaid College plan no. 9100062307
54	6/1/2015	LESTER LAVIN and ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA	Withdrawal of approximately \$44,006.42 from Wells Fargo Bank account ending in 2138, in Miami-Dade County

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	MONETARY	
	DATE		TRANSACTION	
55	6/1/2015	LESTER LAVIN and	Deposit of approximately	
		ANISLEYDI VERGEL	\$44,006.42 in Wells Fargo Bank	
		HERMIDA	account ending in 3934, in	
			Miami-Dade County	

# YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN and MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES COUNTS

COUNT	APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	MONETARY
000111	DATE		TRANSACTION
56	3/31/2015	YOHANDER JORRIN	Withdrawal of approximately
		<b>MELHEN</b> and	\$27,250.34 from Chase Bank
		<b>MILAGROS MARILE</b>	account ending in 3952, in
		ACOSTA TORRES	Miami-Dade County, for the
			purchase of Chase Bank
]			cashier's check no. 1173012831,
			in the amount of approximately
			\$27,250.34, payable to Florida
			Prepaid College Board, for
			Florida Prepaid College plan no.
			9100072223
57	5/3/2015	YOHANDER JORRIN	Payment of approximately
		MELHEN and	\$19,000 in cash to Lorenzo
		MILAGROS MARILE	Bomnin Chevrolet, in Miami-
		ACOSTA TORRES	Dade County, as partial payment
			for a Chevrolet Tahoe truck,
58	1/25/2016	VOILANDED TODDIN	with VIN ending in 7642
38	1/23/2016	YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN and	Deposit of Carmax check no. 7110099807, in the amount of
		MILAGROS MARILE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		ACOSTA TORRES	approximately \$31,091.39, payable to <b>Milagros Marile</b>
		ACOSTA TORRES	Acosta Torres, proceeds from
			the sale of a 2015 Chevy Tahoe
			truck with VIN ending in 7642,
			in Chase Bank account ending in
			3952, in Miami-Dade County
			1 3732, III Wildin Dude County

APPROX.	DEFENDANT(S)	MONETARY
	WOLLANDED TODDIN	TRANSACTION
3/5/2016		Negotiation of check no. 196, in
		the amount of approximately
		\$12,950, payable to Off Lease
	ACOSTA TORRES	Only, Inc., drawn on Chase
		Bank account ending in 3952, in
		Miami-Dade County, as
		payment for a Toyota Avalon
		automobile, with VIN ending in
		4218
10/8/2018	YOHANDER JORRIN	Deposit of Carmax check no.
	<b>MELHEN</b> and	7110124178, in the amount of
	MILAGROS MARILE	approximately \$13,000, payable
	ACOSTA TORRES	to Milagros Marile Acosta
		Torres, proceeds from the sale
		of a Toyota Avalon automobile
		with VIN ending in 4218, in
		Chase Bank account ending in
		3952, in Miami-Dade County.
10/15/2018	YOHANDER JORRIN	Withdrawal of approximately
	<b>MELHEN</b> and	\$14,500 from Chase Bank
	MILAGROS MARILE	account ending in 3952, in
	ACOSTA TORRES	Miami-Dade County, for the
		purchase of Chase Bank
		cashier's check no. 1173020046
		for \$14,500, payable to "John
		Doe," as partial payment for a
		Ford F-150 truck, with VIN
		ending in 2044.
	DATE 3/5/2016	3/5/2016  YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN and MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES  10/8/2018  YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN and MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES  10/15/2018  YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN and MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES

### LEONARDO BETANCOURT and YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN COUNT

COUNT	APPROX. DATE	DEFENDANT(S)	FINANCIAL TRANSACTION
62	4/11/2016	LEONARDO	Transfer of approximately
		BETANCOURT and YUSMARY SHIRLEY	\$28,737.80 from BB&T account ending in 1989, in Miami-Dade
		DURAN	County, to Florida Prepaid College Savings Plans, for
			Florida Prepaid College plan no. 9100776633

It is further alleged that the specified unlawful activity is computer fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(4) and 2.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 2.

# GOUNT 63 False and Fraudulent Statement (18 U.S.C. § 1001(a)(2))

On or about March 21, 2019, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, the defendant,

### MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU, a/k/a "Maria Aleu," a/k/a "Maria D. Aleu,"

did willfully and knowingly make a false, fictitious, and fraudulent statement and representation as to a material fact, in that the defendant represented to a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash that she deposited in bank accounts and used to purchase vehicles was received from boarders and tenants, when in truth and in fact, and as the defendant then and well knew, the cash was not received from boarders and tenants.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001(a)(2).

# **FORFEITURE** (18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1) and (2)(B), and § 1028(i))

1. The allegations of this Indictment are hereby re-alleged and by this reference fully incorporated herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States of certain property in which each of the defendants, MICHEL ALEU, MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU, a/k/a "Maria Aleu," a/k/a "Maria D. Aleu," LESTER LAVIN, ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA, a/k/a "Anisleydi Vergel," YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN, a/k/a "Yohander Jorrin," a/k/a "Yohander J. Melhen," MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES, a/k/a "Milagros Marileisis Acosta Torres," a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta Torres," a/k/a "Milagros M. Acosta," a/k/a "Milagros M. Torres," LEONARDO BETANCOURT, and YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN, a/k/a "Yusmary S. Duran Mejia," have an interest including:

- 2. Upon a conviction of Title 18, United States Code Section 1030, as alleged in this Indictment, the defendants so convicted shall forfeit to the United States any property constituting, or derived from, proceeds the person obtained directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(a)(2)(B) and 1030(i)(1)(B), and any personal property that was used or intended to be used to commit or to facilitate the commission of such violation, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(i)(1)(A).
- 3. Upon conviction of a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956 or 1957, as alleged in this Indictment, the defendants so convicted shall forfeit to the United States any property, real or personal, involved in such offense, or any property traceable to such property, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1).
  - 4. The property subject to forfeiture includes, but is not limited to, the following:
    - a. A forfeiture money judgment of at least \$5 million;
    - b. Real property located at 13104 S.W. 211th Terrace, Miami, Florida 33177;
    - c. Real Property located at 5880 Collins Avenue, Unit 1203, Miami Beach, Florida 33140;
    - d. Real property located at 6120 S.W. 12th Street, West Miami, Florida 33144;
    - e. Real property located at 110 Fontainebleau Boulevard, Unit 404, Miami, Florida 33172;
    - f. Real property located at 14247 S.W. 165th Street, Miami, Florida 33177;
    - g. Real property located at 15411 S.W. 143rd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33177;
    - h. Florida Prepaid College Plan No. 1115378443, in the name of Lester Lavin;
    - i. Florida Prepaid College Plan No. 9100062307, in the name of Lester Lavin;
    - j. Florida Prepaid College Plan No. 9100072223, in the name of Milagros M. Acosta Torres;
    - k. Florida Prepaid College Plan No. 9100776633, in the name of Yusmary Duran;

- 1. Chevrolet Suburban SUV with vehicle identification number ending in 4516; and
- m. Ford F-150 truck with vehicle identification number ending in 2044.
- 5. If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of any of the defendants:
  - a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
  - b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
  - c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
  - d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
  - e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty,

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(a)(1) and (a)(2)(B) and 1030(i)(1)(A) and (B), and the procedures set forth in Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(b)(1) and 1030(i)(2).

A TRUE BILL

FOREPERSON

ARIANA FAJARDO ORSHAN

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

DWAYNE ED WARD WILLIAMS

ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA v. MICHEL ALEU, et al.,		TES OF AMERICA	CASE NO	
		U, et al.,	CERTIFICATE OF TRIAL ATTORNEY*	
		Defendants.	Superseding Case Information:	
Court 	Division: Miami FTL	(Select One)  Key West WPB FTP	New defendant(s)  Number of new defendants  Total number of counts  Yes  No  —————————————————————————————————	
	1.	•	egations of the indictment, the number of defendants, the number of emplexities of the Indictment/Information attached hereto.	
	2.		upplied on this statement will be relied upon by the Judges of this d scheduling criminal trials under the mandate of the Speedy Trial	
	3.	Interpreter: (Yes or No) Ye List language and/or dialect SI	es PANISH	
	4.	This case will take 10 days for the	ne parties to try.	
	5.	Please check appropriate category a	and type of offense listed below:	
		(Check only one)	. (Check only one)	
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	Is thi	s a potential death penalty case? (Yes	s or No) <u>No</u>	
	7.	Does this case originate from a maprior to August 9, 2013 (Mag. Jud	atter pending in the Central Region of the U.S. Attorney's Office ge Alicia O. Valle)?  Yes No	
	8.	Does this case originate from a maprior to August 8, 2014 (Mag. Jud	atter pending in the Northern Region U.S. Attorney's Office ge Shaniek Maynard)?  DWAYNEE. WILLIAMS  ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY	

Florida Bar No. 125199

\*Penalty Sheet(s) attached

Defendant's Name: MICHEL ALEU			
Case No:			
Count #: 1			
Conspiracy to Embezzle	More than \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment		
Title 18, United States Co	ode, Section 371		
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment		
Count #: 8			
Embezzlement of More T	han \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment		
Title 18, United States Co	ode, Section 1168(b)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment		
Count #: 9			
Conspiracy to Commit C	omputer Fraud		
Title 18, United States Co	ode, Section 1030(b)		
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment		
Count #: 16			
Computer Fraud			
Title 18, United States Co	ode, Section 1030(a)(4)		
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment		

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#### PENALTY SHEET

Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses

Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h)

\* Max. Penalty: Twenty (20) years' imprisonment

Counts #: 21-26

Money Laundering

Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii)

\* Max. Penalty: Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count

Counts #: 49-52

Money Laundering

Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957

\* Max. Penalty: Ten (10) years' imprisonment as to each count

<sup>\*</sup>Refers only to possible term of incarceration, does not include possible fines, restitution, special assessments, parole terms, or forfeitures that may be applicable.

Defendant's Name: MARIA DEL PILAR ALEU		
Case No:		
Count #: 17		
Conspiracy to Commit Mone	y Laundering Offenses	
Title 18, United States Code,	Section 1956(h)	
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment	
Counts #: 21-26		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code,	Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii)	
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count	
Counts #: 49-52		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code,	Section 1957	
* Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) years' imprisonment as to each count	
Count #: 63		
False and Fraudulent Stateme	ent	
Title 18, United States Code,	Section 1001(a)(2)	
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment	

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Defendant's Name: LESTER LAVIN				
Case No:	Case No:			
Count #: 1				
Conspiracy to Embezzle	More than \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment			
Title 18, United States C	ode, Section 371			
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment			
Counts #: 4, 5, 7				
Embezzlement of More	Гhan \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment			
Title 18, United States C	ode, Section 1168(b)			
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count			
Count #: 9				
Conspiracy to Commit C	Computer Fraud			
Title 18, United States C	ode, Section 1030(b)			
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment			
Counts#: 12, 13, 15				
Computer Fraud				
Title 18, United States C	ode, Section 1030(a)(4)			
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment as to each count			

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Count #: 18	
Conspiracy to Commit Mon	ey Laundering Offenses
Title 18, United States Code	s, Section 1956(h)
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment
Counts #: 27-41	
Money Laundering	
Title 18, United States Code	e, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii)
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count
Counts #: 53-55	
Money Laundering	
Title 18, United States Code	, Section 1957
* Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) years' imprisonment as to each count

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Defendant's Name: ANISLEYDI VERGEL HERMIDA		
Case No:		
Count #: 18		
Conspiracy to Commit Mone	y Laundering Offenses	
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h)		
	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment	
Counts #: 27, 31, 34-36, 38-41		
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Title 18, Omled States Code,	Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii)	
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count	
Counts #: 54-55		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code,	Section 1957	
* Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) years' imprisonment as to each count	

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Defendant's Name: YOHANDER JORRIN MELHEN		
Case No:		
Count #: 1		
Conspiracy to Embezzle More than \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment		
Title 18, United States Code	e, Section 371	
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment	
Counts #: 2, 6, 8		
Embezzlement of More Tha	n \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment	
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1168(b)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count	
Count #: 9		
Conspiracy to Commit Computer Fraud		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(b)		
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment	
Counts #: 10, 14, 16		
Computer Fraud		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(a)(4)		
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment as to each count	

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Count #: 19		
Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment	
Counts #: 42-47		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count	
Counts #: 56-61		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957		
* Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) years' imprisonment as to each count	

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Defendant's Name: MILAGROS MARILE ACOSTA TORRES		
Case No:		
Count #: 19		
Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h)		
	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment	
Counts #: 42-47	Thems (20) yours improved	
Money Laundering  Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count	
Counts #: 56-61	Twenty (20) years imprisonment as to each count	
Money Laundering		
	Section 1057	
	Section 1957	
* Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) years' imprisonment as to each count	

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Defendant's Name: <u>LEONARDO BETANCOURT</u>		
Case No:		
Count #: 1		
Conspiracy to Embezzle More than \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment		
Title 18, United States Cod	e, Section 371	
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment	
Counts #: 3, 4, 5		
Embezzlement of More Than \$1,000 from a Tribal Gaming Establishment		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1168(b)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment as to each count	
Count #: 9		
Conspiracy to Commit Computer Fraud		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(b)		
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment	
Counts #: 11-13		
Computer Fraud		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(a)(4)		
* Max. Penalty:	Five (5) years' imprisonment as to each count	

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Count #: 20		
Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment	
Count #: 48		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment	
Count #: 62		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957		
* Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) years' imprisonment	

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Defendant's Name: YUSMARY SHIRLEY DURAN		
Case No:		
Count #: 20		
Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering Offenses		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment	
Count #: 48		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and (ii)		
* Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' imprisonment	
Count #: 62		
Money Laundering		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957		
* Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) years' imprisonment	

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