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GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS

WICHITA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that ten individuals were indicted on February 10, 2004, by a federal grand jury in Wichita, Kansas. Those indicted include:

! Ivan G. Carney, 53, Peck, Kansas, is charged with two counts of tax evasion.

The indictment alleges that Carney willfully attempted to evade federal income tax on taxable income of \$48,347.73 in 1997 by failing to file an income tax return and failing to pay income tax to the Internal Revenue Service and willfully attempted to evade federal income tax on taxable income of \$146,489.08 in 1998 by failing to file an income tax return and failing to pay income tax to the Internal Revenue Service.

If convicted, Carney faces a maximum of five years in federal prison, without parole, on each count. The case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Alan Metzger.

! Buddy E. Gilbert, 35, and Patricia D. Miller, 46, both of Wichita, Kansas, are each charged with one count of making photocopies of Federal Reserve Notes on December 3, 2003; and one count of attempting to pass counterfeit twenty dollar bills at the Golden Corral restaurant in Hays, Kansas, on December 4, 2003.

If convicted, Gilbert and Miller each face a maximum of twenty years in federal prison, without parole, on each count. The case was investigated by the U.S. Secret Service and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Alan Metzger.

! Clinton D. Klausmeyer, 24, Wichita, Kansas, is charged with one count of causing a false insurance claim to be delivered to an insurance company for the theft of a bobcat with trailer from June 3, 2000, through September 30, 2000, and one count of causing a false insurance claim to be delivered to an insurance company for a boat and trailer from August 22, 2000, through October 15, 2000. Klausmeyer is also charged with one count of conspiracy to use the U.S. mail to further a scheme to defraud from June 2000 through October 2000 and one count of forfeiture of \$19,655.39 in U.S. currency representing the amount of the proceeds obtained from this offense.

If convicted, Klausmeyer faces a maximum of five years in federal prison without parole. The case was investigated by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Matt Treaster.

! Donetta K. Leverington, 47, Rosehill, Kansas, while an employee of the U.S. Postal Service, is charged with one count of embezzling more than \$1,000 in property belonging to the United States from October 2000 through March 2002 in Wichita, Kansas.

If convicted, Leverington faces a maximum of ten years in federal prison without parole. The case was investigated by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

! Max E. Greaves, 51, Wichita, Kansas, is charged with one count of possessing child pornography that he obtained by U.S. mail from an unknown time until August 26, 2003, in Sedgwick County, Kansas.

The indictment alleges that Greaves placed an order for the delivery of a videotape containing child pornography to his residence in Wichita, Kansas, by the U.S. Postal Service and the videotape was delivered on August 26, 2003.

If convicted, Greaves faces a maximum of five years in federal prison without parole. The case was investigated by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Alan Metzger.

! Erik Francisco Ramos-Ramirez, 23, Wichita, Kansas, currently in custody, is charged with possession with the intent to distribute approximately two pounds of methamphetamine on February 4, 2004, in Wichita, Kansas.

If convicted, Ramos-Ramirez faces a minimum of ten years and a maximum of life in federal prison without parole. The case was investigated by the Wichita Police Department.

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charged with one count of possession with the intent to distribute in excess of five kilograms (in excess of 11 pounds) of cocaine on December 19, 2003, in Thomas County, Kansas; and one count of illegal re-entry into the United States after having previously been deported.

If convicted, Cruz-Segura faces a minimum of ten years and a maximum of life in federal prison, without parole, for possession with the intent to distribute cocaine and a maximum of ten years for illegal re-entry. The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Kansas Highway Patrol.

! Richard M. Diedrich, 47, Little Rock, Arkansas, currently in custody, is charged with one count of possession with the intent to distribute in excess of five kilograms (in excess of 11 pounds) of cocaine on January 23, 2004, in Kiowa County, Kansas.

If convicted, Diedrich faces a minimum of ten years and a maximum of life in federal prison without parole. The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Kiowa County Sheriff's Office.

! Ruben Partida-Cervantes, 42, San Bernardino, California, currently in custody, is charged with one count of possession with the intent to distribute in excess of five kilograms (in excess of 11 pounds) of cocaine on February 9, 2004, in Ellis County, Kansas.

If convicted, Partida-Cervantes faces a minimum of ten years and a maximum of life in federal prison without parole. The case was investigated by the Kansas Highway Patrol and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

As in any criminal case, a person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. The Indictments filed merely contain allegations of criminal conduct.