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NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - April 28, 2011

United States Attorney Laura E. Duffy announced that Phillip Andro Jamison pled guilty today before United States Magistrate Judge Jan Adler to one count of export of defense articles without a license, in violation of Title 22, United States Code, Sections 2778(b)(2) and (c), and 22 Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 121.1, 123.1 and 127(a)(1). The plea is subject to final acceptance by United States District Court Judge Marilyn L. Huff before or at the time of sentencing.

According to the court documents, Phillip Andro Jamison, a former Gunner's Mate Petty Officer First Class in the United States Navy, was stationed aboard Naval Amphibious Base Coronado, California. Jamison was assigned to work in his unit's armory, where he had access to military equipment, including sensitive equipment subject to United States export controls. In his plea, Jamison admitted that between October 2008 and September 2009, he stole items from the United States Navy and then sold the stolen property to customers through eBay, an Internet auction and shopping website. The stolen property included tactical flashlights, rifle scopes, laser aiming devices and night vision items. Jamison further admitted that

he illegally exported some of this technology to Hong Kong without first obtaining the required export licenses from the Department of State.

As part of his plea, Jamison agreed to pay back the United States Navy more than \$170,000 for the stolen items.

Jamison is next scheduled to be in court on August 1, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. before United States District Judge Marilyn L. Huff for a sentencing hearing.

This case is the product of an investigation by agents with Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Naval Criminal Investigative Service, U.S. Department of Defense.

DEFENDANT

Case Number: 10CR3618-H

Phillip Andro Jamison

SUMMARY OF CHARGES IN GUILTY PLEA

Title 22, United States Code, Sections 2778(b)(2) and (c) – Export of Defense Articles Without a License
Maximum penalties: 10 years in prison and a \$1,000,000 fine

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations
Naval Criminal Investigative Service