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ARIZONA BUSINESS OWNER PLEADS GUILTY TO IRANIAN EXPORT OFFENSES

David C. Weiss, United States Attorney for the District of Delaware and Department of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Special Agent in Charge John P. Kelleghan, announced that Vikramaditya Singh, 34, of Fountain Hills, Arizona, the owner of Orion Telecom Networks, Inc., entered a guilty plea today to a one count criminal Information.

The felony Information charges Singh with one count of causing and attempting to cause the export to the Islamic Republic of Iran, of 4E1/8E1/16E1 digital microwave radios, without the required authorization from the Office of Foreign Asset Control, Department of the Treasury, having first been obtained, in violation of Title 50, United States Code, Sections 1702 and 1705(a) and (c), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2, and Title 31, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 560. The time period of Singh's illegal export activity was September 2008 to May 2010.

Singh faces a maximum statutory sentence of twenty years incarceration, followed by three years supervised release, a \$250,000 fine, and a \$100 mandatory special assessment.

"This prosecution is one of the many successful results of the continuing investigation stemming from the apprehension and prosecution of Iranian procurement agent Amir Ardebili. I applaud our law enforcement partners for their exceptional dedication in pursuing this major investigation," said U.S. Attorney David C. Weiss. "This case demonstrates our vulnerability to

the Iranian government's activities in acquiring American goods and technology, and serves to remind us of the threat to our national security posed by those, like Singh, who are willing to trade with Iran."

"HSI will continue to pursue those who are willing to put America's national security at risk" said John P. Kelleghan, special agent in charge of HSI in Philadelphia. "The export of technology to Iran is controlled so that it cannot be used to harm America or its allies. Enforcing export laws are one of HSI's top priorities and we will continue to work with our partners to ensure that those who send prohibited items to Iran are brought to justice."

This case is being prosecuted by David L. Hall and Robert F. Kravetz, Assistant United States Attorneys. For further information, contact United States Attorney David C. Weiss, Assistant United States Attorney David L. Hall, or Assistant United States Attorney Robert F. Kravetz at (302) 573-6277.
