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Northern District of New York

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**JEFFERSON COUNTY DAIRY FARMER CHARGED
WITH HARBORING ILLEGAL ALIENS**

RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN, United States Attorney, Northern District of New York announces the filing of a criminal Complaint charging **JOHN BARNEY (47, of Adams, New York)**, with harboring illegal aliens in violation of Title 8, United States Code, Section 1324(a)(1)(A)(iii).

On March 30, 2011, **JOHN BARNEY** was taken into custody by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Agents. He appeared before Magistrate Judge Andrew T. Baxter in U. S. District Court in Syracuse and was released on his own recognizance. If found guilty, the defendant faces a statutory maximum sentence of 10 years imprisonment and a maximum fine of \$250,000.00.

This prosecution resulted from an investigation conducted by the United States Department of Homeland Security, Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department.

The charges and allegations contained in the Complaint are merely accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ransom P. Reynolds. Further questions may be directed to Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney John Duncan at (315) 448-0672.