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SKANEATELES RESIDENT PLEADS GUILTY TO TAX FRAUD CHARGES

Syracuse, NY — RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN, United States Attorney, Northern District of New York, announced today that DOROTHEA WIED BLOMQUIST, 50, of Foxfield Drive, Skaneateles, New York, entered a guilty plea to a two count Information charging her with (1) failure to report a foreign bank account, in violation of 31 U.S.C. §§ 5314 and 5322(b) and 31 CFR §§ 103.24 and 103.27 and (2) tax fraud, in violation of 26 U.S.C. § 7206(1). Under the terms of a plea agreement, the government and BLOMQUIST have agreed that she will receive a sentence of 16 months imprisonment to be followed by a three year term of supervised release. (The court is not bound by the terms of the plea agreement and the defendant will be afforded an opportunity to withdraw her guilty plea in the event the court is unwilling to impose the agreed sentence.) Blomquist also consented to the entry of an order directing her to forfeit certain assets to the United States. She is also required to pay all taxes, interest and penalties owed to the Internal Revenue Service and the State of New York.

BLOMQUIST is required to surrender to the United States Marshals Service at a time designated by the court after sentencing. Sentencing has been scheduled in U.S. District Court in Syracuse for December 20, 2011 at 10:00 am.

This case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation, Syracuse office. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven D. Clymer. For further information please contact Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven D. Clymer at 315-448-0672.