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ALBANY, NEW YORK MAN SENTENCED IN STOLEN CREDIT CARD AND COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY SCHEME

Defendant Who Fraudulently Obtained Credit Card Numbers and Electronic Images of United States Currency Sentenced to 71 Months of Imprisonment and Ordered to Pay \$4,236.45 in Restitution

Albany, New York —United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian and Tracy Gast, Special Agent-in-Charge, United States Secret Service, Buffalo Field Division, announced that KOFI OPOKU AGYEMANG, age 26, of Albany, New York, was sentenced on December 15, 2011 by the Honorable Thomas J. McAvoy in Federal District Court in Albany following his trial and conviction on one count of possessing stolen credit card numbers and one count of fraudulently possessing electronic images of United States currency. AGYEMANG was sentenced to 71 months of imprisonment to be followed by three years of supervised release. AGYEMANG was also ordered to pay \$4,236.45 in restitution.

In November 2009 investigators conducted a search of AGYEMANG's residence and vehicle. Seized within either AGYEMANG's residence or vehicle were a credit card reader (a/k/a credit card skimmer), blank plastic cards, credit card numbers that did not belong to AGYEMANG, and electronic images of United States currency.

AGYEMANG was found guilty of the above referenced counts following a jury verdict on June 14, 2011.

This case was investigated by the United States Secret Service and the Guilderland Police Department.

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