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PHILADELPHIA - United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the indictment¹ of Habib Khan for crimes relating to his operation of an unlicensed money transmitting business. The indictment charges Khan with one count of conspiracy to operate an unlicensed money transmitting business, one count of operating an unlicensed money transmitting business, and one count of structuring financial transactions to avoid the filing of currency transaction reports.

According to the indictment, Khan, a citizen of Pakistan, operated a business from at least in or about November 2001 through and including in or about February 2009 in which he charged a fee to wire or transport more than a million dollars to beneficiaries in the Swat region of Pakistan. Khan never obtained a license to operate such a business and never registered this business with the federal government, as required by law. In addition, to hide the activities of his illegal business, Khan structured financial transactions with a local bank in order to prevent the bank from filing currency transaction reports with the federal government.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Habib Khan	Philadelphia, PA	49

If convicted of all charges, Khan faces a maximum sentence of 20 years imprisonment, a \$1 million fine, three years supervised release, and \$300 in special assessments.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Joint Terrorism Task Force. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Stephen Miller.

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