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DRUG SMUGGLING CHARGES

Today the grand jury returned an Indictment¹ charging Rehan Shah, aka “Rahul Sharma” and “Abdul Shabbir Aziz,” and Naman Bader, aka “John C. Koshy,” with drug and smuggling charges related to importing and distributing controlled substances such as Xanax, Valium, Phentermine, Ativan, Klonopin, Ambien, and their generic equivalents, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger.

The indictment charges Shah and Bader with conspiring to smuggle pharmaceutical controlled substances into the United States and to distribute such substances in this country between July of 2010 and October 5, 2011. The indictment also charges Shah and Bader with various specific acts of smuggling and distribution of controlled substances during that period. The indictment alleges that Shah and Bader smuggled these drugs into the country and distributed them to fulfill orders placed over the internet or by telephone by customers, without prescriptions, for drugs such as Xanax, Valium, Phentermine, Ativan, Klonopin, Ambien, and their generic equivalents. The indictment alleges that neither Shah nor Bader was a licensed medical doctor or pharmacist, and did not have a DEA registration to deal in controlled substances. The indictment alleges that they distributed approximately 28,000 such parcels during the period charged.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
Rehan Shah	Shreveport, Louisiana	31
Naman Bader	Philadelphia, PA	32

If convicted, Shah faces a maximum possible sentence of 55 years imprisonment and Bader faces a maximum possible sentence of 160 years imprisonment.

The case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations, the Food and Drug Administration - Office of Criminal Investigations, and

¹An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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the United States Postal Inspection Service. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Albert S. Glenn.

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