JACKLIN CHOU LEM (CA Bar No. 255293) 1 MAY LEE HEYE (CA Bar No. 209366) HOWARD J. PARKER (WA Bar No. 7233) 2 KELSEY C. LINNETT (CA Bar No. 274547) 3 Antitrust Division U.S. Department of Justice 450 Golden Gate Avenue 4 Box 36046, Room 10-0101 San Francisco, CA 94102 Telephone: (415) 436-6660 5 Fax: (415) 436-6687 6 iacklin.lem@usdoi.gov 7 E-filing Attorneys for the United States 8 9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 10 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 11 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION 12 13 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA No. CR 11-0488 RS 14 15 EAGLE EYES TRAFFIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.: SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT 16 E-LITE AUTOMOTIVE, INC.: HOMY HONG-MING HSU; and VIOLATION: 17 YU-CHU LIN, aka David Lin, Title 15, United States Code, 18 Section 1 (Price Fixing) 19 Defendants. San Francisco Venue 20 21 The Grand Jury charges: 22 I. 23 **DESCRIPTION OF THE OFFENSE** 24 1. The following corporations and individuals are hereby indicted and made defendants on the charge stated below: 25 26 (a) EAGLE EYES TRAFFIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.; 27 (b) E-LITE AUTOMOTIVE, INC.; 28 // SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT - 1

(c) HOMY HONG-MING HSU; and

- (d) YU-CHU LIN.
- 2. The defendants and other coconspirators entered into and engaged in a combination and conspiracy to suppress and eliminate competition for aftermarket auto lights, which began at least as early as July 2001 and continued until at least as late as September 2008, the exact dates being unknown to the Grand Jury ("the period covered by this Indictment"), by agreeing to fix the prices of aftermarket auto lights sold to customers in the United States and elsewhere. The combination and conspiracy engaged in by the defendants and other coconspirators was in unreasonable restraint of interstate and foreign trade and commerce in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act (15 U.S.C. § 1).
- 3. The charged combination and conspiracy consisted of a continuing agreement, understanding, and concert of action among the defendants and other coconspirators, the substantial terms of which were to agree to fix the prices of aftermarket auto lights in the United States and elsewhere.
- 4. For the purpose of forming and carrying out the charged combination and conspiracy, the defendants and other coconspirators did those things that they combined and conspired to do, including, among other things:
  - (a) participated in meetings, conversations, and communications among competitors in Taiwan and the United States to discuss the price structure for aftermarket auto lights;
  - (b) agreed, during those meetings, conversations, and communications, to set prices for aftermarket auto lights in accordance with pricing formulas jointly determined among competitors;
  - (c) issued list price announcements to customers in accordance with the jointly determined price structure;
  - (d) collected and exchanged information on prices of aftermarket auto lights for the purpose of monitoring and enforcing adherence to the jointly determined price structure;

- (e) authorized, ordered, and consented to the participation of subordinate employees in the conspiracy; and
- (f) took steps to conceal the conspiracy and conspiratorial contacts, conversations, and communications through various means.

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## DEFENDANTS AND COCONSPIRATORS

- 5. During the period covered by this Indictment, defendant EAGLE EYES TRAFFIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. was an incorporated entity organized and existing under the laws of Taiwan. Since at least July 2003, its principal place of business has been located in Yongkang City, Tainan County, Taiwan. Defendant EAGLE EYES TRAFFIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. joined and participated in the conspiracy from at least as early as July 2001 and continuing at least until in or about September 2008. During the period covered by this Indictment, EAGLE EYES TRAFFIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. was a manufacturer of aftermarket auto lights sold in the United States and elsewhere.
- 6. Within the period covered by this Indictment, defendant E-LITE AUTOMOTIVE, INC. was an incorporated entity organized and existing under the laws of the State of California with its principal place of business located in Chino, California.

  Defendant E-LITE AUTOMOTIVE, INC. joined and participated in the conspiracy from in or about March 2006 and continuing at least until in or about September 2008. Within the period covered by this Indictment, E-LITE AUTOMOTIVE, INC. distributed aftermarket auto lights to customers located in the United States.
- 7. Defendant HOMY HONG-MING HSU is a resident of Taiwan. During the period covered by this Indictment, defendant HOMY HONG-MING HSU was Vice Chairman of defendant EAGLE EYES TRAFFIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. Defendant HOMY HONG-MING HSU joined and participated in the conspiracy from at least as early as November 2001 and continuing at least until in or about September 2008.
- 8. Defendant YU-CHU LIN is a resident of Taiwan. During the period covered by this Indictment, defendant YU-CHU LIN was Chairman of defendant EAGLE EYES

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TRAFFIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. Defendant YU-CHU LIN joined and participated in the conspiracy from at least as early as July 2001 and continuing at least until in or about September 2008.

- 9. Various corporations and individuals not made defendants in this Indictment participated as coconspirators in the offense charged in this Indictment and performed acts and made statements in furtherance of it.
- 10. Whenever in this Indictment reference is made to any act, deed, or transaction of any corporation, the allegation means that the corporation engaged in the act, deed, or transaction by or through its officers, directors, employees, agents, or other representatives while they were actively engaged in the management, direction, control, or transaction of its business or affairs.

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## TRADE AND COMMERCE

- 11. Aftermarket auto lights are lighting components incorporated into an automobile after its original sale, usually as repairs following a collision, but also as accessories and upgrades. Lighting components include items such as headlights, taillights, fog lights, turn signals, brake signals, and reflectors.
- 12. During the period covered by this Indictment, the defendants and their coconspirators sold and distributed aftermarket auto lights in a continuous and uninterrupted flow of interstate and foreign trade and commerce to customers located in states or countries other than the states or countries in which the defendants and their coconspirators produced aftermarket auto lights.
- 13. During the period covered by this Indictment, the business activities of the defendants and their coconspirators that are the subject of this Indictment were within the flow of, and substantially affected, interstate and foreign trade and commerce.

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IV. 1 JURISDICTION AND VENUE 2 14. The combination and conspiracy charged in this Indictment was carried out, in 3 part, in the Northern District of California, within the five years preceding the filing of this 4 Indictment. 5 ALL IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 15, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 1. 6 7 DATED: A TRUE BILL 8 November 29, 20/1 9 10 FOREPERSON 11 12 13 Pozen Chief. San Francisco Office ting Assistant Attorney General 15 16 Peter K. Huston Scott D. Hammond Deputy Assistant Attorney General Assistant Chief, San Francisco Office 17 18 klin Chou Lem John F. Tefzaken May Lee Heye 19 Director of Criminal Enforcement Howard J. Parker 20 Kelsey C. Linnett Attorneys U.S. Department of Justice 21 Antitrust Division 450 Golden Gate Avenue 22 Box 36046, Room 10-0101 San Francisco, CA 94102 23 United States Department of Justice (415) 436-6660 Antitrust Division 24 25 26 Bylan J. Stretch 27 Attorney for the United States Acting Under Authority Conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 515

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