Despite widespread illness and deaths caused by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), individuals and organizations operating around the globe are actively seeking to exploit and profit from the pandemic. From financial fraud schemes targeting vulnerable populations, to the importation of counterfeit pharmaceuticals and medical supplies, to websites defrauding consumers, these illicit activities compromise legitimate trade and financial systems, threaten the integrity of the U.S. border, and endanger the safety and security of the American public. Utilizing its unique and expansive authorities, strategic footprint and partnerships worldwide, and robust cyber capabilities, HSI is launching OPERATION STOLEN PROMISE to protect the Homeland from the increasing and evolving threat posed by COVID-19-related fraud and criminal activity.

**HSI STRATEGIC APPROACH TO COMBATING COVID-19 CRIMINALITY**

- Establish Public/Private Sector and Cyber Security Partnerships on Combating COVID-19 Schemes
- Develop Actionable Investigative and Intelligence Leads
- Disrupt and Dismantle Fraud Schemes, Take Down Illicit Websites and Other Online Marketplaces, and Seize Counterfeit or Illicit Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices
- Launch a Robust Public Awareness Campaign

**REPORT COVID-19 FRAUD TO COVID19FRAUD@DHS.GOV**

**STATISTICS**

- 419 COVID-19 Related Seizures
- 16,660 COVID-19 Related Domains Analyzed
- $3,277,646 USD Illicit Proceeds Seized
- 374 Leads to Domestic / International Offices
- 85 Disruptions of Illicit Activity
- 14 Search Warrants
- 9 Criminal Arrests

**GLOBAL TRADE INVESTIGATIONS**

**CYBERCRIME INVESTIGATIONS**

**FINANCIAL FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS**

- Prohibited COVID-19 Test Kits
- Prohibited Pharmaceuticals
- Counterfeit Masks & More

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