

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
WESTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : CASE NO. 1:18-CR-34  
: :  
v. : JUDGE Susan J. Dlott  
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: SEALED INDICTMENT  
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IZMIR KOCH, : 18 U.S.C. § 249(a)(1)  
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Defendant. : :  
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THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

BACKGROUND

Unless otherwise indicated, at times material to this Indictment:

1. On or about February 4, 2017, Victim-1 enjoyed the services of a restaurant located in Cincinnati, Ohio (the "Restaurant"). Victim-1 stepped outside of the Restaurant to meet a friend and smoke a cigarette.
2. **IZMIR KOCH**, the defendant, was outside the Restaurant with others.
3. **KOCH** yelled out, asking, in substance and in part, if anyone was Jewish.
4. Victim-1 responded, in substance and in part, that he was Jewish. **KOCH** then ran to Victim-1 and punched Victim-1 in the head. Victim-1 fell to the ground.
5. **KOCH** and others continued hitting and kicking Victim-1.
6. Victim-1 sustained injuries from the attack, including rib contusions and a fracture of his orbital floor.

**COUNT ONE**  
**(Hate Crime)**

On or about February 4, 2017, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant, **IZMIR KOCH**, willfully caused bodily injury to Victim-1 because of the perceived religion of Victim-1; to wit, **KOCH** hit and kicked Victim-1 after Victim-1 represented that he was Jewish, causing injuries including a fracture of Victim-1's orbital floor.

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 249(a)(1).**

**A TRUE BILL**

*Is/signed*  
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**GRAND JURY FOREPERSON**

**BENJAMIN C. GLASSMAN**  
**UNITED STATES ATTORNEY**

  
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**MEGAN GAFFNEY**  
**ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY**