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U.S. ATTORNEY ANNOUNCES UNSEALING OF 27 COUNT PROSTITUTION INDICTMENT

Orlando, Florida - U.S. Attorney Robert E. O'Neill announces the unsealing of a twenty-seven count indictment alleging criminal prostitution related activities against twelve defendants. The defendants are Roman Caraiman (24, Moldova), Tatiana Belinschi (25, Moldova), Alexandr Postica (25, Moldova), Saida Babaeva (28, Russia), Kateryna Krykovlyuk (24, Ukraine), Elena Shashurova (24, Russia), Vlada Blisciuc (23, Moldova), Elena Abushinova (24, Russia), Irina Luchina (22, Moldova), Aleksandra Liubina (23, Russia), Natalia Fedorova (23, Russia) and Alina Priadko (24, Ukraine).

According to the indictment, a number of aliens worked together in a commercial sex business that sought to make money by providing sexual services for money. According to the indictment, among the activities in which the defendants engaged included setting up appointments, performing sexual acts for money, advertising massage services on the internet, and interstate transportation of prostitutes in furtherance of their prostitution activities.

The indictment was returned by the grand jury on February 9, 2011, and was unsealed upon several arrests on February 14, 2011.

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed a violation

of the federal criminal laws, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty.

This case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Homeland Security Investigations and the Metropolitan Bureau of Investigation. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United State Attorney J. Bishop Ravenel.