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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Michael A. Shipp

v. : Crim. No. 23-630

AMIN SHARIF : 18 U.S.C. § 2421 18 U.S.C.  
: § 1591 18 U.S.C. § 1952  
: 18 U.S.C. § 2422

**I N D I C T M E N T**

The Grand Jury in and for the District of New Jersey, sitting at Newark, charges:

**COUNT ONE**

(Attempted Transportation of Victim to Engage in Prostitution)

On or about August 26, 2021, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

**AMIN SHARIF,**

did knowingly attempt to transport Victim-1 in interstate commerce, with intent that such individual engage in prostitution and in any sexual activity for which any person can be charged with a criminal offense.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2421 and 2426.

**COUNT TWO**  
(Sex Trafficking of a Minor)

From in or around December 2020 through in or around March 2021, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

**AMIN SHARIF,**

did knowingly, in and affecting interstate commerce, recruit, entice, harbor, transport, provide, obtain, advertise, maintain, patronize, and solicit, by any means, Victim-2, knowing and in reckless disregard of the fact that Victim-2 had not attained the age of 18 years and would be caused to engage in a commercial sex act.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1591(a)(1) and (b)(2).

**COUNT THREE**

(Use of Interstate Facility to Promote Unlawful Activity)

On or about January 9, 2021, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

**AMIN SHARIF,**

did knowingly use, and cause to be used, a facility in interstate commerce, that is, the use of the internet, with the intent to promote, manage, establish, carry on, and facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, and carrying on of an unlawful activity, that is, prostitution offenses in violation of the laws of New Jersey, and thereafter, did perform, and attempt to perform, an act to promote, manage, establish, carry on, and facilitate the promotion, management, establishment, and carrying on of such unlawful activity.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1952(a)(3)(A).

**COUNT FOUR**

(Transporting Victim with Intent to Engage in Prostitution)

On or about January 3, 2021, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

**AMIN SHARIF,**

did knowingly transport Victim-3 in interstate commerce, with intent that such individual engage in prostitution and in any sexual activity for which any person can be charged with a criminal offense.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2421 and 2426.

**COUNT FIVE**

(Persuading Victim to Travel to Engage in Prostitution)

On or about August 22, 2020, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

**AMIN SHARIF,**

did use a facility and means of interstate commerce to knowingly persuade, induce, entice, and coerce Victim-4 to engage in prostitution and in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2422(a) and 2426.

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION AS TO COUNTS ONE, FOUR, AND FIVE**

As a result of committing the offenses in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2421 and 2422 charged in Counts One, Four, and Five of this Indictment, the United States will seek forfeiture, in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 2428(a) of all right, title, and interest of the defendant in any property, real or personal, that was involved in, used, or intended to be used to commit or to facilitate the commission of such offenses; and any property, real or personal, constituting or derived from any proceeds the defendant obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of such offense; and any property traceable to such property.

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION AS TO COUNT TWO**

As a result of committing the offense in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1591 charged in Count Two of this Indictment, the United States will seek forfeiture, in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 1594(d), of all right, title, and interest of the defendant in any property, real or personal, that was involved in, used, or intended to be used to commit or to facilitate the commission of such offense; and any property, real or personal, constituting or derived from any proceeds the defendant obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of such offense; and any property traceable to such property.

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION AS TO COUNT THREE**

As a result of committing the offense in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1952 charged in Count Three of this Indictment, the United States will seek forfeiture, in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461, of any and all

property constituting or derived from any proceeds obtained directly or indirectly as a result of the commission of such offense.

**SUBSTITUTE ASSETS PROVISION AS TO ALL COUNTS**

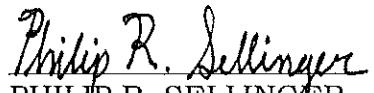
If any of the above described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- (e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), as incorporated to 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), to seek forfeiture of any other property of such defendant up to the value of the above-described forfeitable property.

A True Bill,

  
Foreperson

  
PHILIP R. SELLINGER  
United States Attorney

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