UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	Hon. Claire C. Cecchi
v.	:	Crim. No. 24-
CARLOS OVIDIO GONZALEZ	:	21 U.S.C. § 846 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) & (b)(1)(C) 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)

INFORMATION

The defendant having waived in open court prosecution by Indictment, the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey charges:

COUNT 1

(Conspiracy to Distribute and Possess with Intent to Distribute Cocaine and Fentanyl)

From in or around September 2022 to on or about December 19, 2022, in Essex

and Hudson Counties, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

CARLOS OVIDIO GONZALEZ,

did knowingly and intentionally conspire and agree with others to distribute and possess with intent to distribute a quantity of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine and a quantity of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of fentanyl, both Schedule II controlled substances, contrary to Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(C).

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 846.

<u>COUNT 2</u> (Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine)

On or about December 19, 2022, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

CARLOS OVIDIO GONZALEZ,

did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute a quantity of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(C).

<u>COUNT 3</u> (Possession of Firearms and Ammunition by a Convicted Felon)

On or about December 19, 2022, in Essex and Union Counties, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, the defendant,

CARLOS OVIDIO GONZALEZ,

knowing that he had previously been convicted of a crime punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding one year, did knowingly possess in and affecting commerce firearms and ammunition, namely:

- a Taurus, model PT111 G2A, 9mm semi-automatic handgun, bearing serial number 1C074841;
- a Smith & Wesson, model M&P 40 Pro Series, .40 caliber semiautomatic handgun, bearing serial number HRZ1645;
- (3) a Hi-Point, model C, 9mm semi-automatic handgun, bearing serial number P206735;
- (4) fifty (50) rounds of nine-millimeter ammunition; and
- (5) nine (9) rounds of .40 caliber ammunition.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1).

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION AS TO COUNTS ONE AND TWO

As a result of committing the controlled substance offenses alleged in Counts One and Two of this Information, the defendant,

CARLOS OVIDIO GONZALEZ,

shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, any and all property constituting or derived from any proceeds obtained directly or indirectly as a result of the said offenses, and any and all property used or intended to be used in any manner or part to commit and to facilitate the commission of the offenses alleged in Counts One and Two of this Information.

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION AS TO COUNT THREE

As a result of committing the firearm offense alleged in Count Three of this Information, the defendant,

CARLOS OVIDIO GONZALEZ,

shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), any firearm and ammunition involved in or used in the commission of such offenses, including but not limited to:

- (1) a Taurus, model PT111 G2A, 9mm semi-automatic handgun, bearing serial number 1C074841;
- (2) a Smith & Wesson, model M&P 40 Pro Series, .40 caliber semiautomatic handgun, bearing serial number HRZ1645;
- (3) a Hi-Point, model C, 9mm semi-automatic handgun, bearing serial number P206735;
- (4) fifty (50) rounds of 9mm ammunition; and

(5) nine (9) rounds of .40 caliber ammunition.

<u>SUBSTITUTE ASSETS PROVISION</u> (Applicable to All Forfeiture Allegations)

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 by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of the above-described forfeitable property.

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