

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon.
: :
v. : Criminal No. 18-
: :
MARIA PETERSON, : 21 U.S.C. § 841
a/k/a "Chabela" : 21 U.S.C. § 846
: 18 U.S.C. § 2
: :
: INFORMATION

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

Count One
(Conspiracy to Distribute Heroin)

From on or about January 11, 2015 through on or about January 21, 2017, in Passaic, Bergen, Union, and Middlesex Counties, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, the defendant,

MARIA PETERSON,
a/k/a "Chabela,"

did knowingly and intentionally conspire with Yasmil Minaya, a/k/a "Animal," Martin Baez Garcia, a/k/a "Junior," Amauri Pimental Hogando, a/k/a "Willy," and others to distribute and possess with intent to distribute one (1) kilogram or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of heroin, a Schedule I controlled substance, contrary to Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(A)(i).

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

Count Two
(Distribution and Possession with Intent to Distribute Heroin)

On or about November 28, 2015, in Passaic and Bergen Counties, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, the defendant,

MARIA PETERSON,
a/k/a "Chabela,"

did knowingly and intentionally distribute and possess with intent to distribute one (1) kilogram or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of heroin, a Schedule I controlled substance.

In violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(A)(i), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

1. The allegations set forth in this Information are hereby realleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeiture pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853.

2. As a result of committing the controlled substance offenses in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A)(i), and 846, as charged in Counts One and Two of this Information, the defendant,

MARIA PETERSON,
a/k/a "Chabela,"

shall forfeit to the United States of America, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, any and all property constituting or derived from any proceeds the defendant 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.

The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to:

(1) Approximately \$32,815 in U.S. currency seized from the defendant on or about February 13, 2015.

3. If by any act or omission of the defendant any of the property subject to forfeiture:

- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- 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 divided without difficulty,

the United States shall be entitled, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), to forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of the above-described forfeitable property.


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