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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Michael A. Hammer  
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v. : Mag. No. 21-10116  
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ANTWAN K. MALONE, and : **CRIMINAL COMPLAINT**  
DAWAN WALKER : :

I, George Panagatos, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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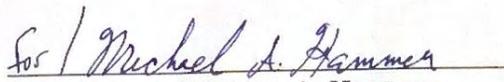
I further state that I am a Special Agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

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continued on the attached page and made a part hereof.

  
George Panagatos, Special Agent  
Drug Enforcement Administration

Special Agent Panagatos attested to this Complaint by telephone pursuant to FRCP 4.1(b)(2)(A) on February 26, 2021 in the District of New Jersey

  
HONORABLE MICHAEL A. HAMMER  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**ATTACHMENT A**

**COUNT ONE**  
**(Attempted Carjacking)**

On or about February 22, 2021, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, defendants,

ANTWAN K. MALONE, and  
DAWAN WALKER,

with the intent to cause death and serious bodily harm, did knowingly attempt to take a motor vehicle that had been transported, shipped, and received in interstate and foreign commerce, namely, a blue BMW M5 from the person and presence of another, namely, Victim-1, by force and violence and by intimidation.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2119(1) and 2.

**COUNT TWO**  
**(Using and Carrying a Firearm During and in Relation to a Crime of Violence)**

On or about February 22, 2021, in Essex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, defendants,

ANTWAN K. MALONE, and  
DAWAN WALKER,

during and in relation to a crime of violence for which the defendants may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, namely, the attempted carjacking charged in Count One of this complaint, did knowingly use and carry a firearm, which firearm was discharged.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 924(c)(1)(A)(iii) and 2.

## ATTACHMENT B

I, George Panagatos, am a Special Agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration. I am fully familiar with the facts set forth herein based on my own investigation, my conversations with witnesses and other law enforcement officers, and my review of reports, documents, and items of evidence. Where statements of others are related herein, they are related in substance and in part. Because this complaint is being submitted for a limited purpose, I have not set forth each and every fact that I know concerning this investigation. Where I assert that an event took place on a particular date, I am asserting that it took place on or about the date alleged.

1. On or about February 22, 2021, law enforcement responded to the area of the entrance ramp to I-78 West located on Irvine Turner Boulevard in Newark, New Jersey (the "Entrance Ramp") on a report of an attempted carjacking with a weapon. Upon responding to the scene, law enforcement learned that an individual ("VICTIM-1") was driving his/her vehicle, a blue BMW M5 SUV ("Vehicle-1"), and was stopped at a traffic light waiting to enter the Entrance Ramp when two individuals attempted to carjack Vehicle-1 by threatening VICTIM-1 with a handgun (the "Firearm"). Moreover, law enforcement learned that, upon escaping the attempted carjacking, one of those individuals—later identified as ANTWAN MALONE ("MALONE")—twice fired the Firearm at Vehicle-1. Law enforcement at the scene also observed a bullet hole in Vehicle-1.

2. Specifically, while VICTIM-1 was waiting at the traffic light to enter the Entrance Ramp, two individuals—later identified as MALONE and DAWAN WALKER ("WALKER")—travelling in a red Pontiac Grand Prix ("Vehicle-2") driven by WALKER blocked Vehicle-1's ability to access the Entrance Ramp with Vehicle-2. At that point, MALONE exited Vehicle-2 wearing a black ski mask (the "Ski Mask"), approached Vehicle-1 brandishing the Firearm, pointed the Firearm at VICTIM-1's face, and repeatedly told VICTIM-1 to exit Vehicle-1 or else he (MALONE) would shoot VICTIM-1. Notably, VICTIM-1 told law enforcement that the gunman was a large, heavysset African American male with dreadlocks and was wearing a black hooded sweatshirt with a white logo (the "Sweatshirt").

3. VICTIM-1 was able to flee the scene in Vehicle-1 by ramming into Vehicle-2 and escape onto the Entrance Ramp. At that point, MALONE fired two shots in the direction of Vehicle-1. While travelling westbound on I-78, VICTIM-1 observed Vehicle-2 speed past and take Exit 43.

4. Shortly thereafter, law enforcement located Vehicle-2 in the area of Diamond Hill Road in New Providence, New Jersey, which is near Exit 43. Notably, law enforcement observed damage on Vehicle-2 consistent with being rammed with Vehicle-1 by VICTIM-1 during the escape. Law enforcement

proceeded to stop Vehicle-2 and detained WALKER. Law enforcement then located MALONE walking on the street in the area of Vehicle-2 and, upon observing that MALONE matched the physical description of the gunman provided by VICTIM-1. Moreover, MALONE was wearing the Sweatshirt that VICTIM-1 described. As a result, law enforcement detained MALONE. Law enforcement proceeded to bring MALONE back to the area of Vehicle-2 and, upon looking in the window of Vehicle-2, observed in plain view a quantity of marijuana.

5. At that point, law enforcement asked VICTIM-1 to identify MALONE and WALKER. To do so, VICTIM-1 rode in the backseat of a law enforcement vehicle, and law enforcement drove the vehicle slowly past MALONE and WALKER at a distance of 10 feet so that VICTIM-1 could clearly observe their faces. VICTIM-1 proceeded to positively identify WALKER as the driver of Vehicle-2 and MALONE as the individual who had threatened him/her with the Firearm and who discharged the Firearm at Vehicle-2. MALONE and WALKER were placed under arrest. Notably, pursuant to an inventory search of MALONE's clothing, law enforcement recovered the Ski Mask in the front pocket of the Sweatshirt. Additionally, upon further investigation of the area in and around the Entrance Ramp, law enforcement recovered a 9MM shell casing.