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WOMAN IN STATE OF WASHINGTON CHARGED WITH AIDING IN THE INTERSTATE TRANSPORT OF FUNDS STOLEN FROM EVANSVILLE GROCERY STORE

PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that CARIMA JANSEN, 32, of Seattle, Washington, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for aiding in the interstate transport of stolen money, following an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. JANSEN is also believed to use the alias names "Adriana Ivan, Adriana Barkey, and Adriana Teodorescu."

The indictment alleges that between September 12, 2007, and September 26, 2007, Wesselman's grocery stores computer system in Evansville, Indiana, was compromised by a program that allowed the perpetrators to obtain the user ID and password for Wesselman's bank account. The program infiltrated Wesselman's computer system through a fraudulent e-mail that was purportedly sent by the Better Business Bureau. JANSEN allegedly opened an account with a U.S. Bank branch located in the State of Washington on or about September 14, 2007, using a counterfeit passport from Denmark as her identification. On September 19, 2007, a \$14,672 unauthorized ACH electronic funds transfer was made from Wesselman's bank account using the stolen user ID and password. The funds were deposited into the JANSEN's U.S. Bank account. On September 19, 2007, JANSEN allegedly made two cash withdrawals from the account of \$10,000 and \$4,500.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Todd S. Shellenbarger, who is prosecuting the case for the government, JANSEN faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 10 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Evansville, Indiana, after JANSEN is brought to Indiana by the United States Marshal. JANSEN is currently in the custody of the United States Marshal in Washington

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.