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Woman Sentenced in Tax Refund Scheme

Memphis, TN - January 15, 2002 - Terrell L. Harris, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, and Clayton L. Cooper, Special Agent in Charge of Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation, announced that Einna S. Foules was sentenced today by Judge Robert Cleland to serve 8 months imprisonment followed by two years supervised release. Judge Cleland also ordered Foules to pay \$12,746.70 in restitution to the IRS.

Foules was originally indicted on April 18, 2000, by a federal grand jury and charged with 19 counts of filing false claims with the government. She was a fugitive until August 23, 2001, when she was arrested in Mississippi. Foules pled guilty on October 19, 2001, to five of the counts in the indictment. She has been in custody since her arrest.

According to the indictment, Foules caused 19 fraudulent tax returns to be prepared and filed -- one in her name and 18 in the names of eight other individuals -- for tax years 1994 through 1997. The indictment states that the fraudulent refunds totaled more than \$55,000.

Assistant U. S. Attorney Vivian Donelson prosecuted the case for the government.

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