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FOUR INDICTED FOR POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY AND A STOLEN VEHICLE

PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that ROBERTO SANTOS-GONZALEZ, 28, Louisville, Kentucky, OMAR LEYVA-RUIZ, 36, Louisville, Kentucky, VICTOR RODRIGUEZ, 26, Miami, Florida, and ODELMIS HIDALGO, 34, Miami, Florida, were indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for Possession of Property Stolen From Interstate Shipment and Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle, following an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Indiana State Police, Kentucky State Police and Louisville Metro Police Department.

The indictment alleges that the defendants SANTOS-GONZALEZ, LEYVA-RUIZ, RODRIGUEZ, and HIDALGO received or had in their possession numerous electronic telephone devices, valued in excess of \$1,000 which had been stolen from a trailer moving as, or which was, an interstate shipment of property, knowing the same to have been stolen. It is further alleged that SANTOS-GONZALEZ, LEYVA-RUIZ, RODRIGUEZ, and HIDALGO possessed and disposed of a 2006 International Truck and Engine Corporation tractor which had crossed the boundary of the State of Indiana with Kentucky after being stolen.

According to Assistant U. S. Attorney James M. Warden, who is prosecuting the case for the government, SANTOS-GONZALEZ, LEYVA-RUIZ, RODRIGUEZ, and HIDALGO face a maximum possible prison sentence of 10 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000 for each count. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in New Albany, Indiana.

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