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NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - June 9, 2008

United States Attorney Karen P. Hewitt announced that Qing Li pled guilty today in federal court in San Diego before United States District Judge Jeffrey T. Miller to conspiracy to smuggle weapons-grade accelerometers from the United States to the People's Republic of China.

As part of the guilty plea, Li admitted that she knowingly and willfully conspired with an individual in China known as "Wang" to arrange, facilitate and cause the illegal export of Endevco model 7270A-200K accelerometers from the United States to China. The Endevco model 7270A-200K accelerometer measures massive shocks up to and beyond 200,000 g and has many military applications, including missile development. The accelerometer is designated as a defense article on the United States Munitions List and cannot be exported from the United States without the written permission of the United States Department of State. According to court papers, "Wang" wanted the accelerometers for a "special" scientific agency in China.

Li is scheduled to appear before Judge Miller for sentencing on September 26, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

DEFENDANT

Criminal Case No. 07 CR 2915-JM

QING LI

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Title 18, United States Code, Section 371 - Conspiracy to Commit Offenses Against the United States
Maximum penalties: 5 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Defense Criminal Investigative Service