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### **Florida Man Indicted for Selling Pirated Video Game Systems**

(Alexandria, VA) – Kifah Maswadi, age 24, of Oakland, Florida, was indicted today by a federal grand jury on one count of criminal copyright infringement, announced Chuck Rosenberg, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Joseph Persichini, Jr. Assistant Director in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

According to court documents, it is alleged that Maswadi sold pirated Nintendo video games in connection with "Power Player" handheld video game consoles. Maswadi is alleged to have distributed the pirated Power Players in at least two different configurations. In the original configuration, in which the consoles connected to a television set with cables, the consoles were pre-loaded with at least 75 infringing Nintendo games. The indictment also alleges that Maswadi sold more expensive wireless consoles, which he packaged with a cartridge containing more than 100 pirated games.

The indictment alleges that from 2006 through 2007, Maswadi sold the game consoles and pirated games to customers in the Eastern District of Virginia and elsewhere through several websites he operated, including: [www.powerplayerusa.com](http://www.powerplayerusa.com); [www.gamextera.com](http://www.gamextera.com); [www.gameultimate.com](http://www.gameultimate.com); [www.marioisback.com](http://www.marioisback.com); [www.powerplayergames.com](http://www.powerplayergames.com); [www.powerplayerwireless.com](http://www.powerplayerwireless.com); and, [www.wirelesspowerplayer.com](http://www.wirelesspowerplayer.com). The indictment also alleges that Maswadi sold Power Player game consoles and pirated Nintendo games in wholesale quantities.

This case is being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Significant assistance in the investigation was provided by the Entertainment Software Association. Assistant United States Attorney Jay V. Prabhu and Trial Attorney Tyler G. Newby of the U.S. Department of Justice's Computer Crime & Intellectual Property Section are prosecuting the case on behalf of the United States.

Criminal indictments are only charges and not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed to be innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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