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Friday, July 3, 2020

Mystery Package Nets Arrest and Seizure of Over 6000 Grams of THC Products

Agents with the 9th DTF, were notified by a concerned citizen that they had received a suspicious package containing what they believed to be narcotic to the place of business on West Broadway. Agents Farmer, and Ketner responded to the scene and observed a white postal box containing 4 large vacuum sealed bags filled with a green leafy substance Package pg. 2



Shammond Dave

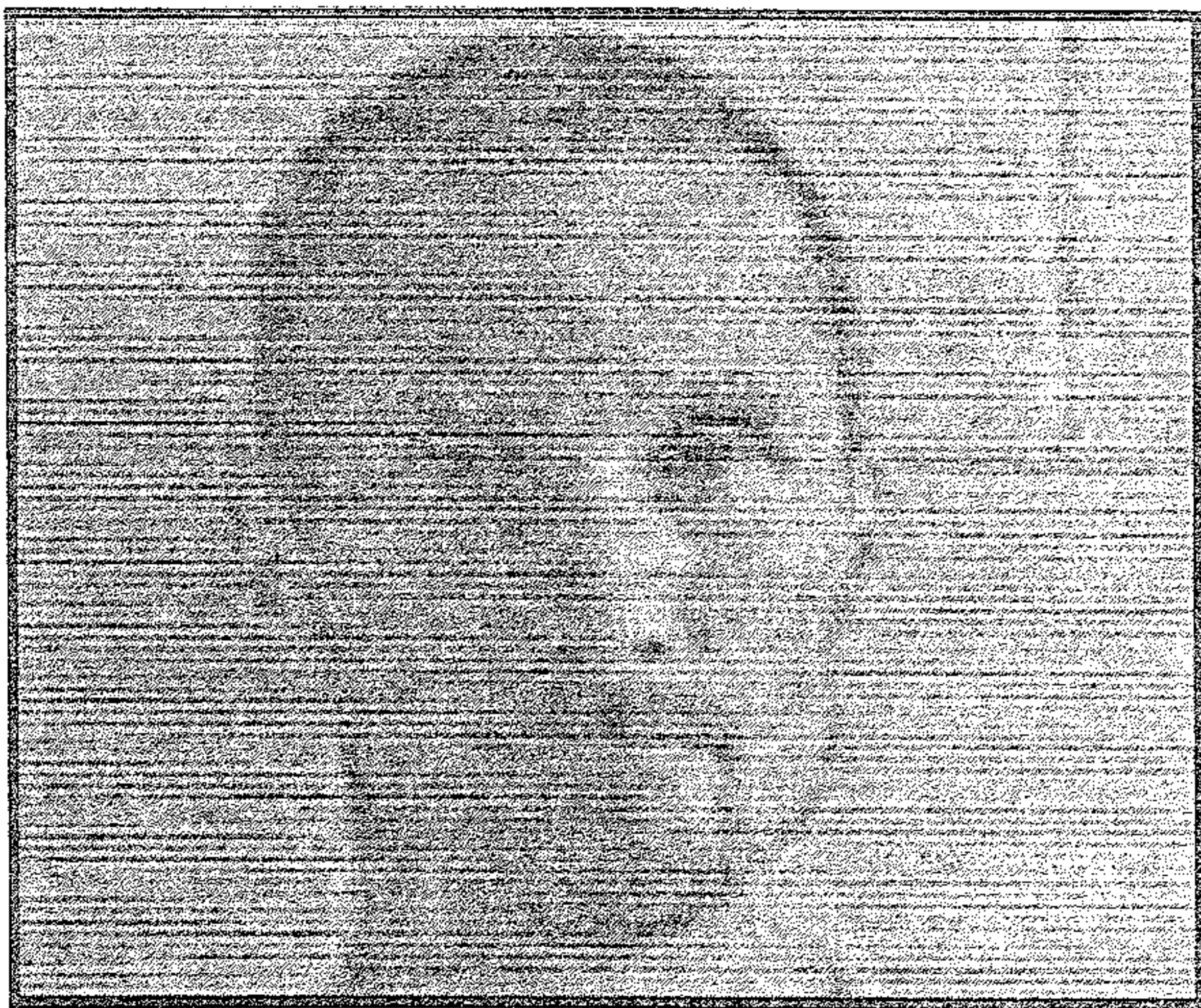
Aggravated Assault Charge Follows Wreck With Injury



Michael Arden

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No License and double possession for Ldn Man



Stephen Lewis

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Op Ed: Why Ensuring Lawful Access Is Necessary

A 55-year-old man from Knoxville, Tennessee, sexually enticed a female minor while she was online. Evidence revealed at trial showed the man communicated with the minor, on numerous occasions, using a social media site, sending explicit sexual messages and requesting a meeting. A family member of the

minor reported the inappropriate messages to law enforcement. After law enforcement initiated an undercover operation posing as the young girl, and within 48 hours, the perpetrator sent additional explicit sexual messages. The perpetrator received 10 years in federal prison.

This despicable act is just one of far too

many instances where vulnerable individuals fall victim to online predators, scammers, and hackers, who perpetrate their crimes in our communities using technology. Fortunately, law enforcement was able to access the evidence necessary to bring this particular predator to justice.

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Verse of the Day

For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.
—Matthew 7:2

Wazzup

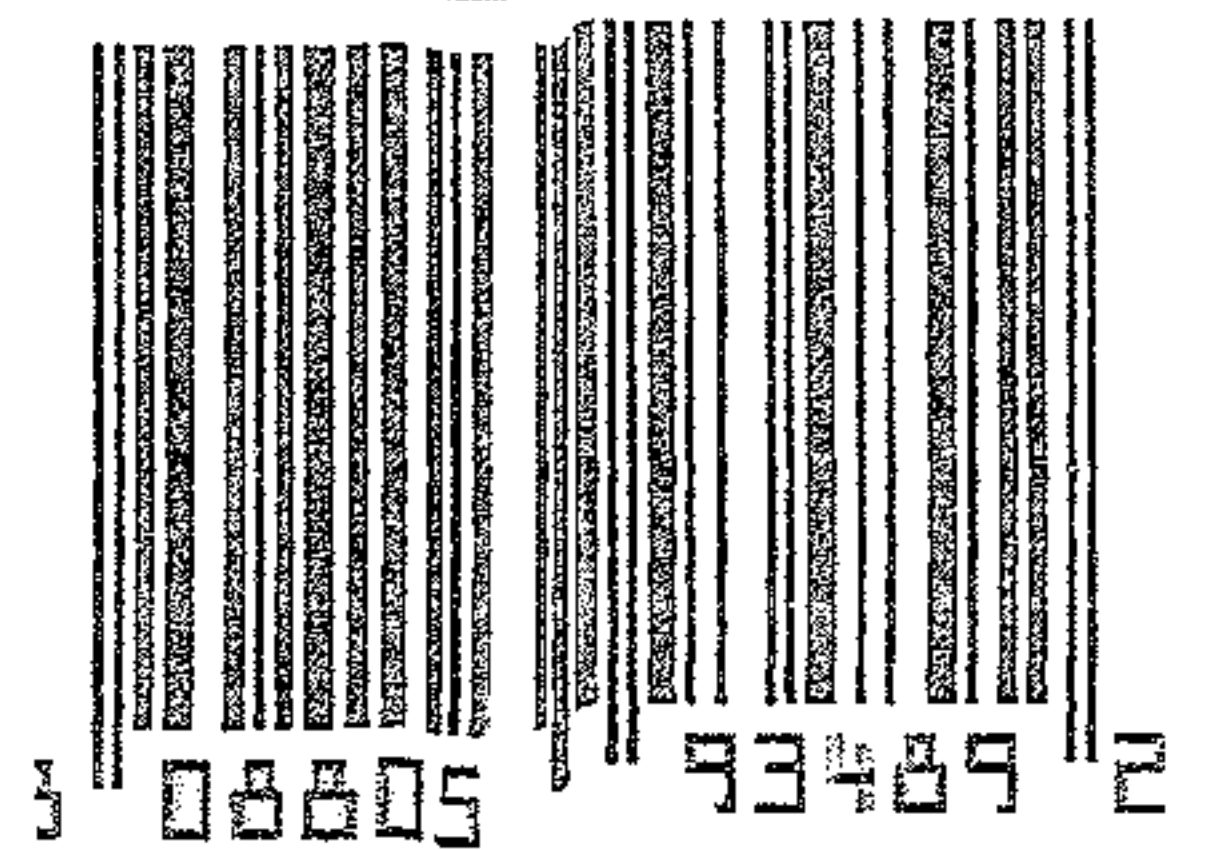
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Weather

Today: Sunny. High of 90F.
Tonight: Clear. Low of 69F
Saturday: Storms. High of 89F.
Saturday night: Storms. Low of 70F.

Horoscope

Cancer 6/21-7/22
Try to take better care of yourself today, even if you think you're already pampered! Maybe you need a checkup



Package

stance visually identified as marijuana. Also in the box were 3 vacuum sealed bags containing THC wax. Agents sealed the box back and set it outside the business, and conducted surveillance to see if anyone picked up the package. A short time later a black SUV pulled up close to the building and a black male got out and picked up the box and placed it in the back seat of his vehicle. Agents then made contact with the male and identified him as Shammond Dave, who was taken into custody. The K9 conducted a free air search and gave a positive alert. Agents removed the box from the back seat the marijuana weighed 3800 grams, and the TCH Wax weighed 3100 grams. Shammond Dave was transported to the Loudon County Jail.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: Robert A. Collins, deceased DKT# 6119

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(As required by Chapter No 180, Public Acts of Tennessee 1809 As Amended by Public Chapter 806 on 05/09/2012)

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th DAY OF JUNE 2020 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of Robert A. Collins who died on the 10th day of JUNE 2020 be issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

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THIS THE 30th DAY OF JUNE 2020

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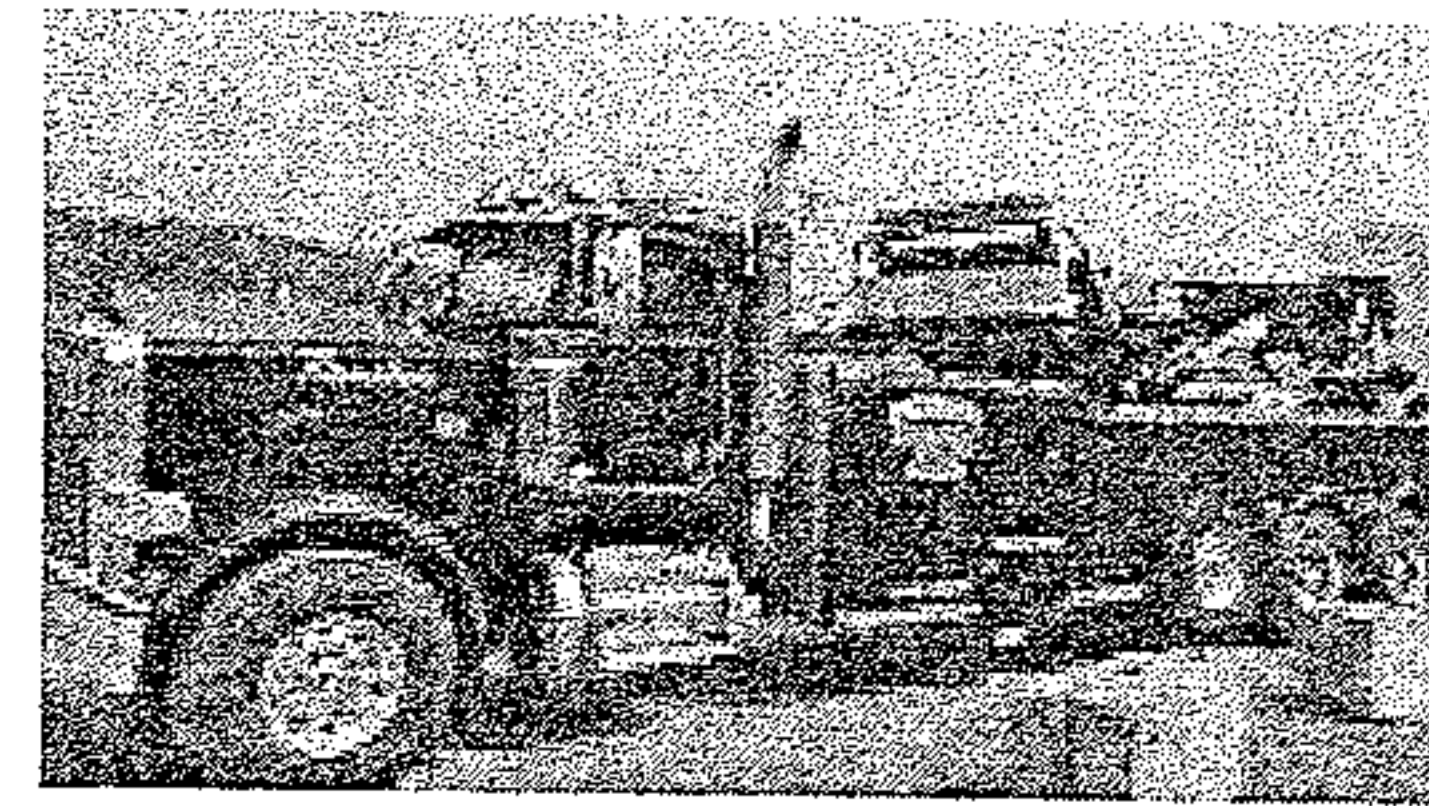
By Personal Representative(s)
Klete Collins

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Assault

Michael Arden, 36, Belcher Road Madisonville, was charged with Aggravated Assault. Officer Law LPD, was dispatched to East Lee Hwy to a possible wreck with injury. Upon arrival Officer observed a red vehicle in the ditch line. Officer identified the subjects Michael Arden and the victim. While Officer was investigating the wreck he received a call from Officer Cogdill stating the O'Reilly Auto Parts clerk stated one of their customers witnessed a male subject beating a female in the parking lot. After speaking with the witness and the victim, who stated that her and Arden were arguing and he began choking her and slammed her head into the back seat door. Officer did observe marks on victim neck consistence with her story. Michael Arden was determined to be the primary aggressor and placed under arrest.

Ldn

Stephen Lewis, 34, Church Street Loudon was charged with Simple Possession x2, and Driving without a Valid License.

Deputy B. Lewis LCSO, observed a blue vehicle traveling on Hwy 11 with the wrong tag displayed on the vehicle. Upon stopping the vehicle Deputy made contact with the driver Stephen Lewis, who stated that he took the registration off his van to driver back and forth to work. While Deputy was speaking with Lewis he could smell an odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle.

Deputy ask Lewis if there was anything illegal in the vehicle he stated no. Upon

running Lewis's Georgia ID through dispatch, he was advised Lewis did not have a license.

Upon searching the vehicle Deputy located 5 1/2 white oval pills believed to

be hydrocodone, and a plastic container with marijuana inside weighing approx.. 1.39 grams. Stephen Lewis was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Public Notice

Special Called Meeting of the Loudon City Council

On Tuesday, July 7, 2020, there will be a Special Called Meeting of the City Council to be held at 6:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Municipal Building for consideration:

* to vote to separate the City Manager and the Utility Manager Position; and Remove Ty Ross as City Manager; and

Appoint an Interim City Manager.

The Municipal Building is located at 2480 Highway 72 N. Loudon. Anyone needing special accommodations in order to participate in the meeting should contact

the City Manager's office or ADA Coordinator Travis Gray as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting. The city phone number is (865)458-2033.

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Op Ed

However, due to the spread of technology like “end-to-end” and “warrant proof” encryption, it is becoming increasingly difficult for law enforcement to access critical digital evidence, even when permitted by a court. This makes the job of protecting all Americans from terrorists, drug traffickers, and hackers, and, in particular, protecting children from online predators who seek to violate and exploit them, exceedingly difficult.

The COVID-19 pandemic has massively increased our online presence. While digital technology helps children continue their studies and stay connected with friends and families, this increased online presence also exposes children to predatory individuals on a previously unimaginable scale.

Child predators rely on digital apps and social media platforms to message and share images with potential victims, outside of the view of their caregivers and law enforcement. Increasingly, these internet platforms, through their own deliberate design, are unable

to safeguard against criminals who can maintain anonymity due to “end-to-end” encryption.

“End-to-end” encryption prevents everyone except the participants in a digital conversation from viewing the content of messages, even when criminal activity is involved.

As a result, service providers can neither monitor their own platforms for illicit behavior nor produce readable content to law enforcement in response to court issued wiretap orders and search warrants. While encryption technology in general is an essential tool for protecting cybersecurity and privacy, “warrant-proof” forms of encryption allow perpetrators to avoid detection by law enforcement and limit access to vital evidence needed to bring criminals to justice or prevent crimes from happening in the first place.

Frequently, Attorney General William Barr has outlined the problems that arise when technology companies protect the privacy of individuals who seek to evade law enforcement and operate free of consequences without


considering the other important values at stake. “End-to-end” encryption platforms turn the privacy of the unscrupulous into an absolute right contrary to society’s interests in public safety and without regard to the rights of potential victims of online exploitation.

A reasonable approach to encryption would balance the privacy and public safety interests of the community, by requiring makers of consumer devices and providers of online communication services to provide law enforcement with lawful access to encrypted data when authorized by a court of law.

As Attorney General Barr observed when commenting on a bill recently introduced in the United States Senate to address “warrant-proof” encryption, “Data security and public safety are not mutually exclusive. Encryption should keep us safe and secure, not provide an impenetrable safe haven for predators, terrorists, and criminals.”

Cybersecurity is a central part of the DOJ’s mission. It is one part of the broader safety net we can provide the

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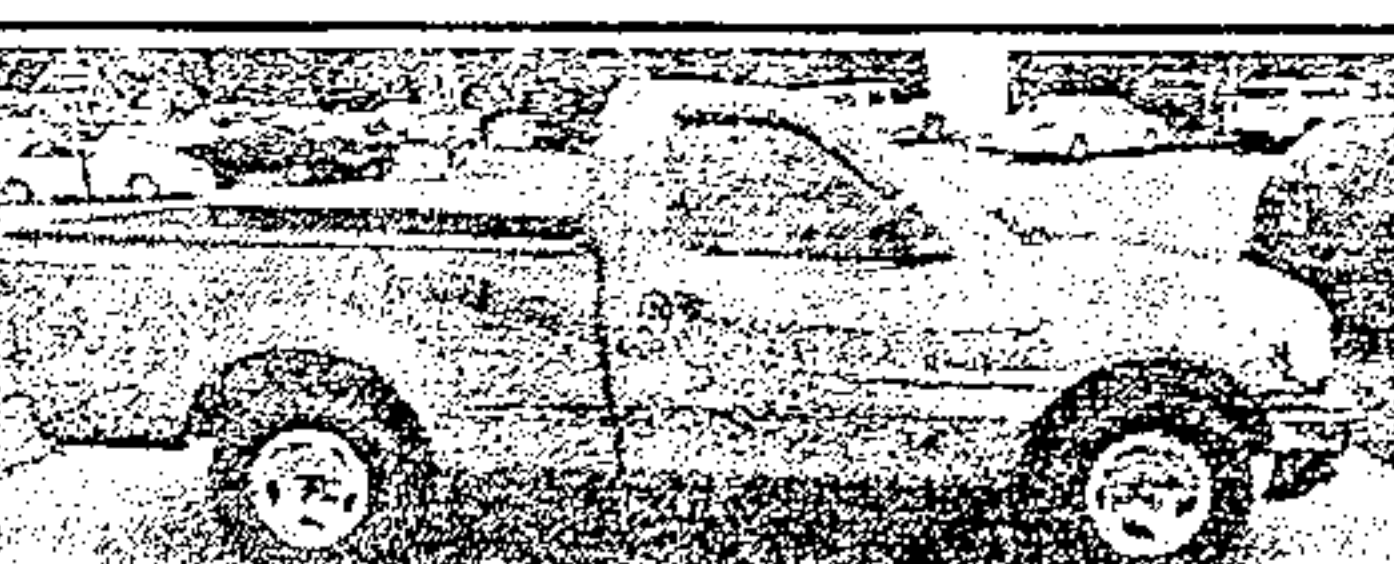
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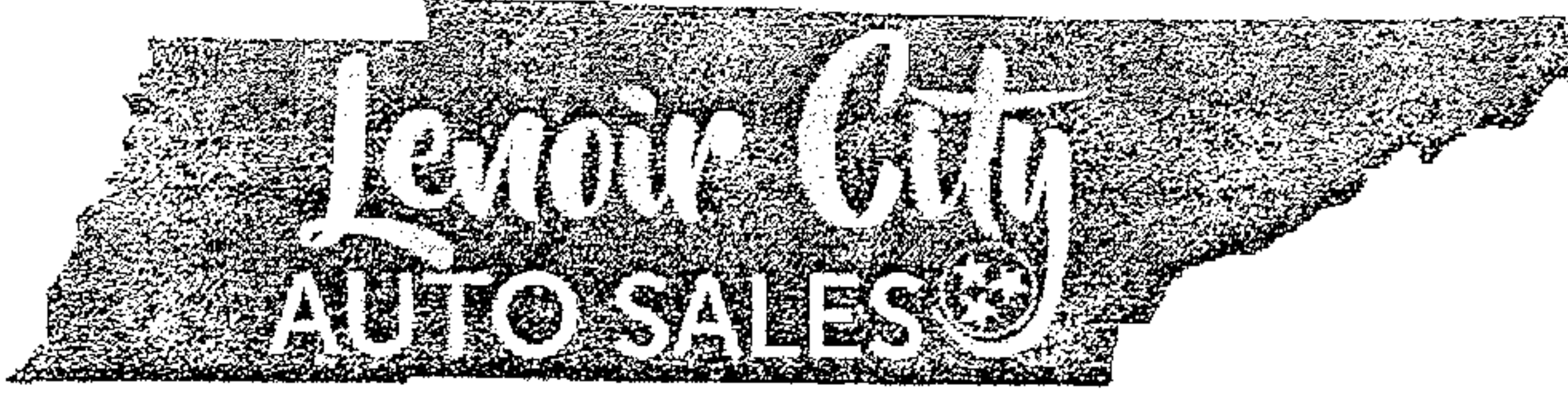
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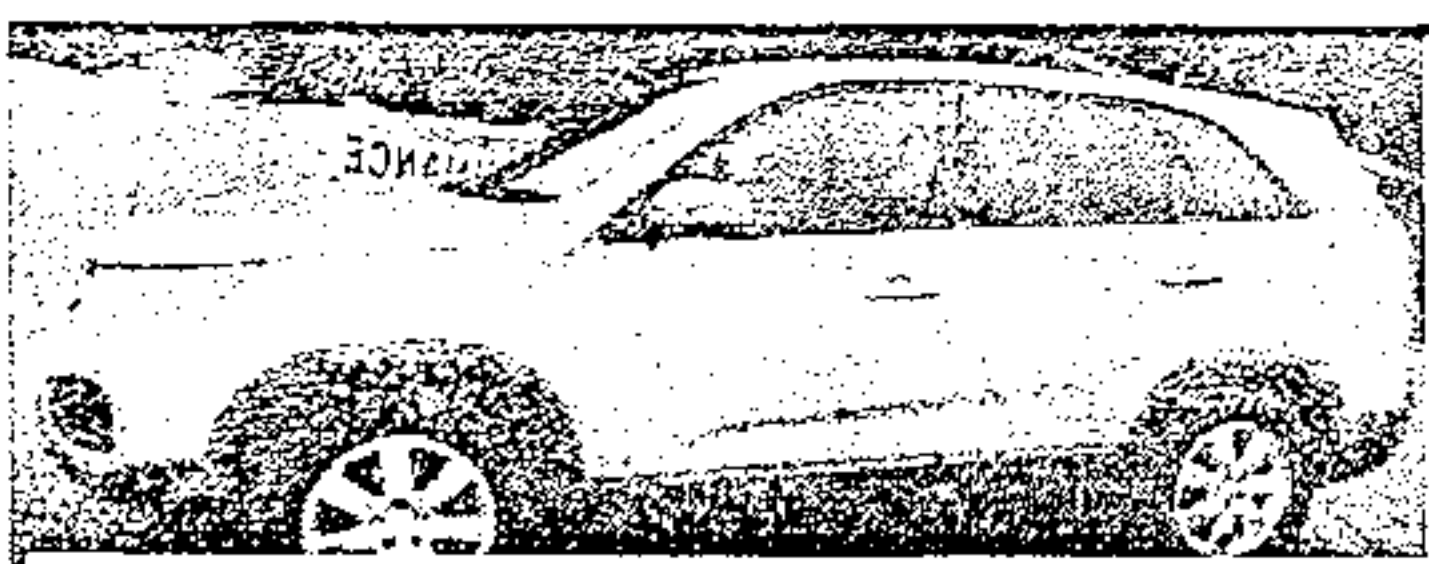
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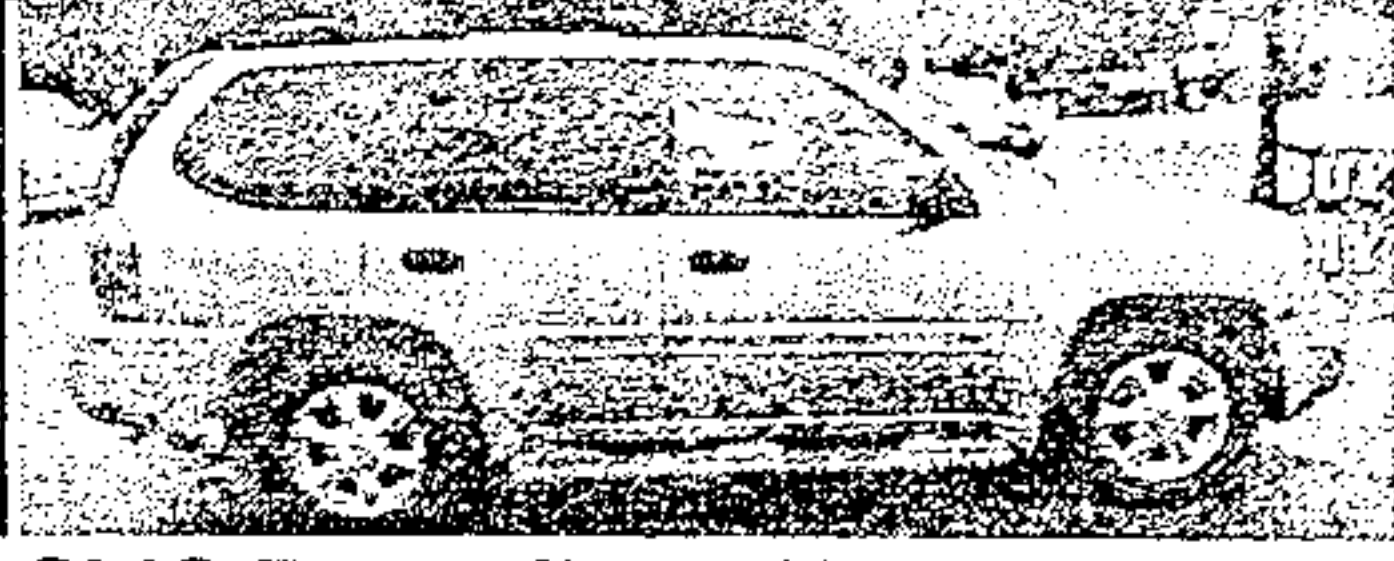
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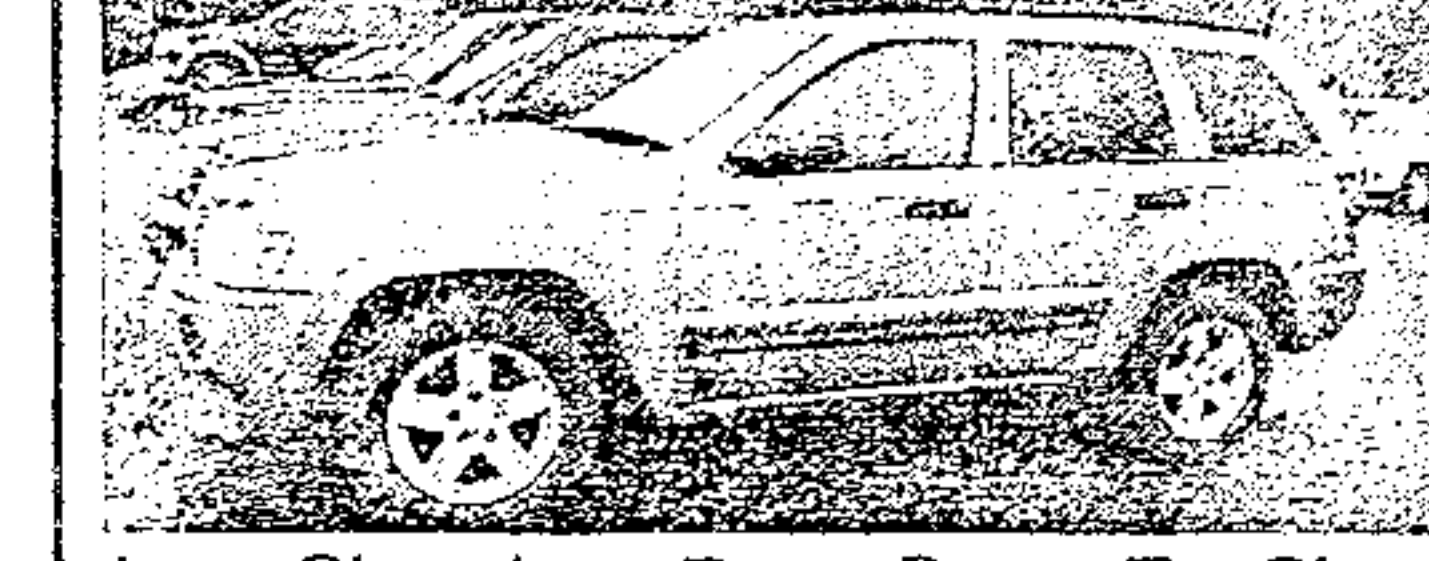
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J. Douglas Overbey, United States Attorney, Eastern District of Tennessee Pain Clinic Owner Extradicted From Italy

On June 26, the United States successfully completed the extradition process of Luca Sartini, 60, from Italy, with the United States Marshals Service effectuating the transportation of Sartini from Rome to Knoxville. Sartini is a co-defendant of Sylvia Hofstetter. Hofstetter and three medical providers were convicted of numerous charges related to "pill mill" operations in Florida and Tennessee following a four-month trial earlier this year. Extradition procedures are continuing in Italy for the last co-defendant in the case, Luigi "Jimmy" Palma.

Sartini contested his extradition from Italy for approximately two years. The

charges against Sartini are varied, and reflect his alleged role in owning and operating pain clinics in South Florida and the Knoxville area over the course of several years. Included in the charges are a Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization (RICO) conspiracy and a conspiracy to distribute oxycodone, oxymorphone, and morphine outside the scope of professional practice and not for a legitimate medical purpose.

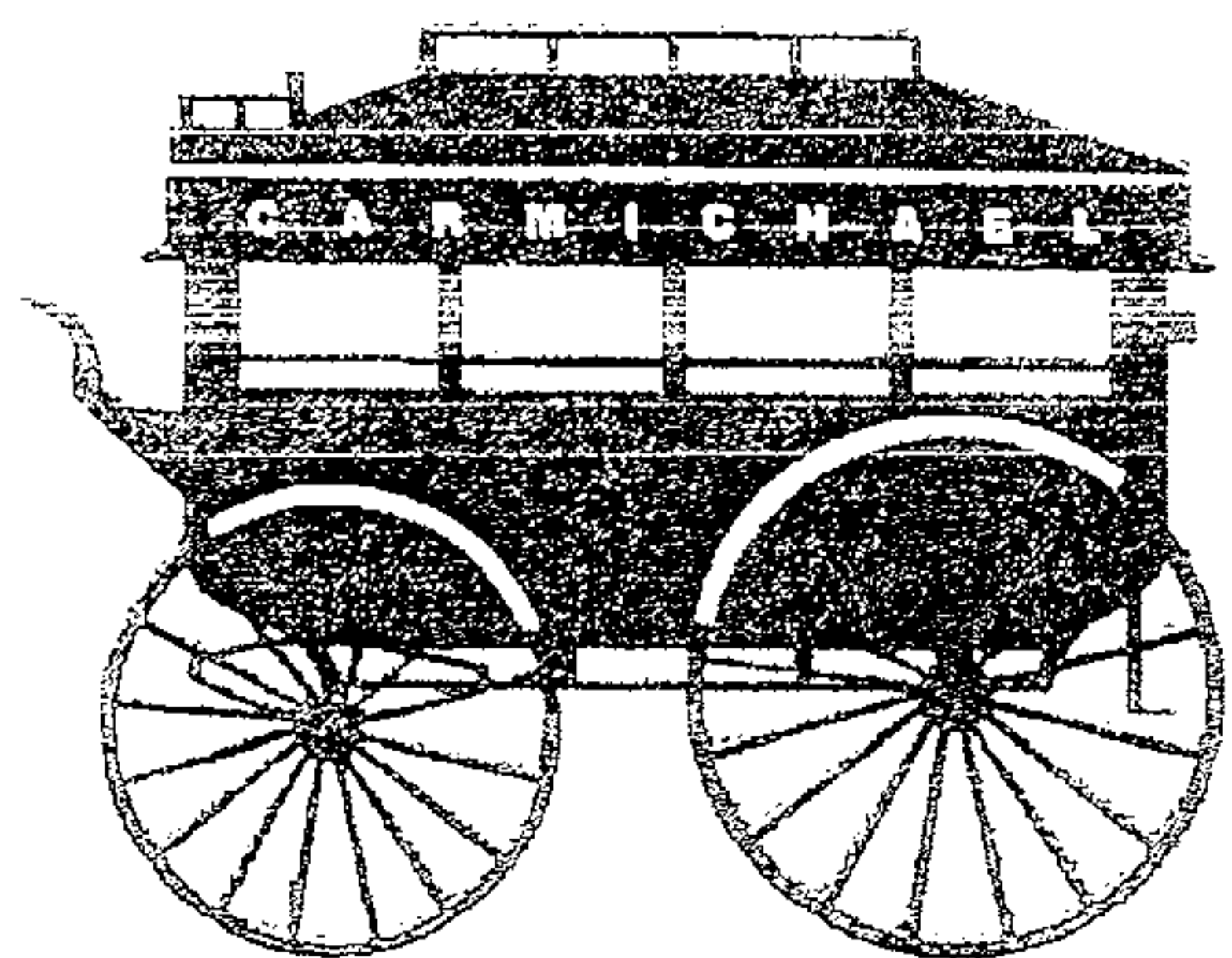
Sartini appeared before the Honorable Debra C. Poplin, U.S. Magistrate Judge, on June 26, 2020, and plead not guilty to all charges. Sartini waived his immediate right to a detention hearing and remains in custody of the United States Marshal. The trial has been set for September 1, 2020, before the Honorable Thomas A. Varlan, U. S. District Judge. If convicted, Sartini faces an imprisonment of up to 20 years on each of the charges and fines up to \$1,000,000.

Members of the public are reminded that Sartini is presumed innocent until his guilt has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

This sweeping prosecution, which has

resulted in approximately 140 convictions so far, is the result of an investigation by the U. S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Tennessee, the Organized Crime and Gang Section, U.S. Department of Justice, and the FBI High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), comprised of investigators assigned to the task force by the Loudon County Sheriff's Office, Knoxville Police Department, Blount County Sheriff's Office, Roane County Sheriff's Office, Harriman Police Department, and the Clinton Police Department. Other agencies provided invaluable assistance, including the Rome attaché of the Office of International Affairs, the U.S. Department of Justice, FBI's liaison in Rome, FBI's Miami Field Office, the Hollywood, Florida, Police Department, the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Tennessee Department of Health, and the Drug Enforcement Administration's Knoxville Diversion Group. The Rome attaché and FBI's liaison in Rome were particularly instrumental in effectuat-

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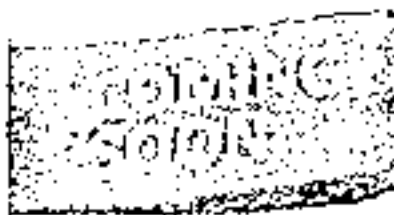


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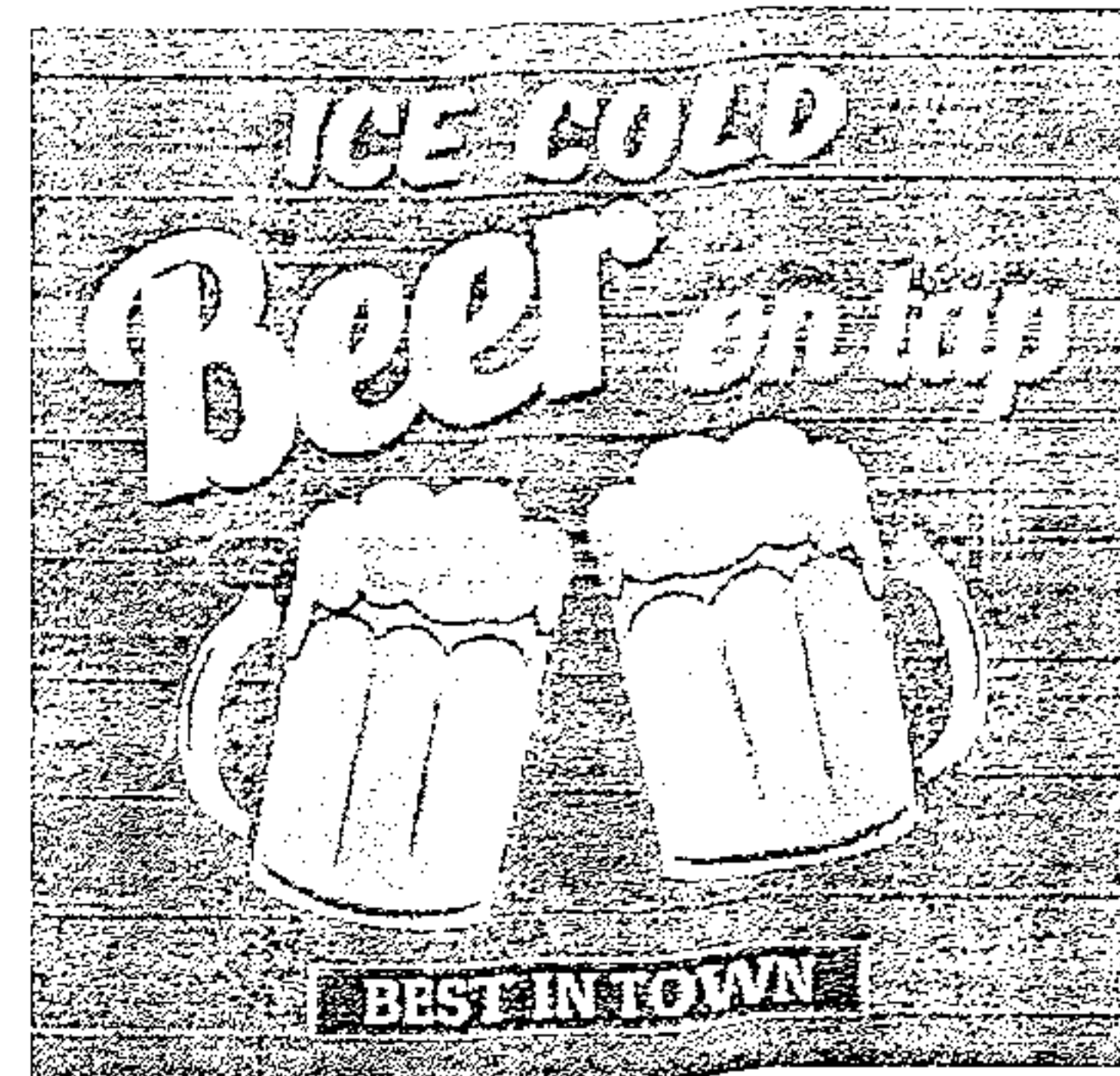
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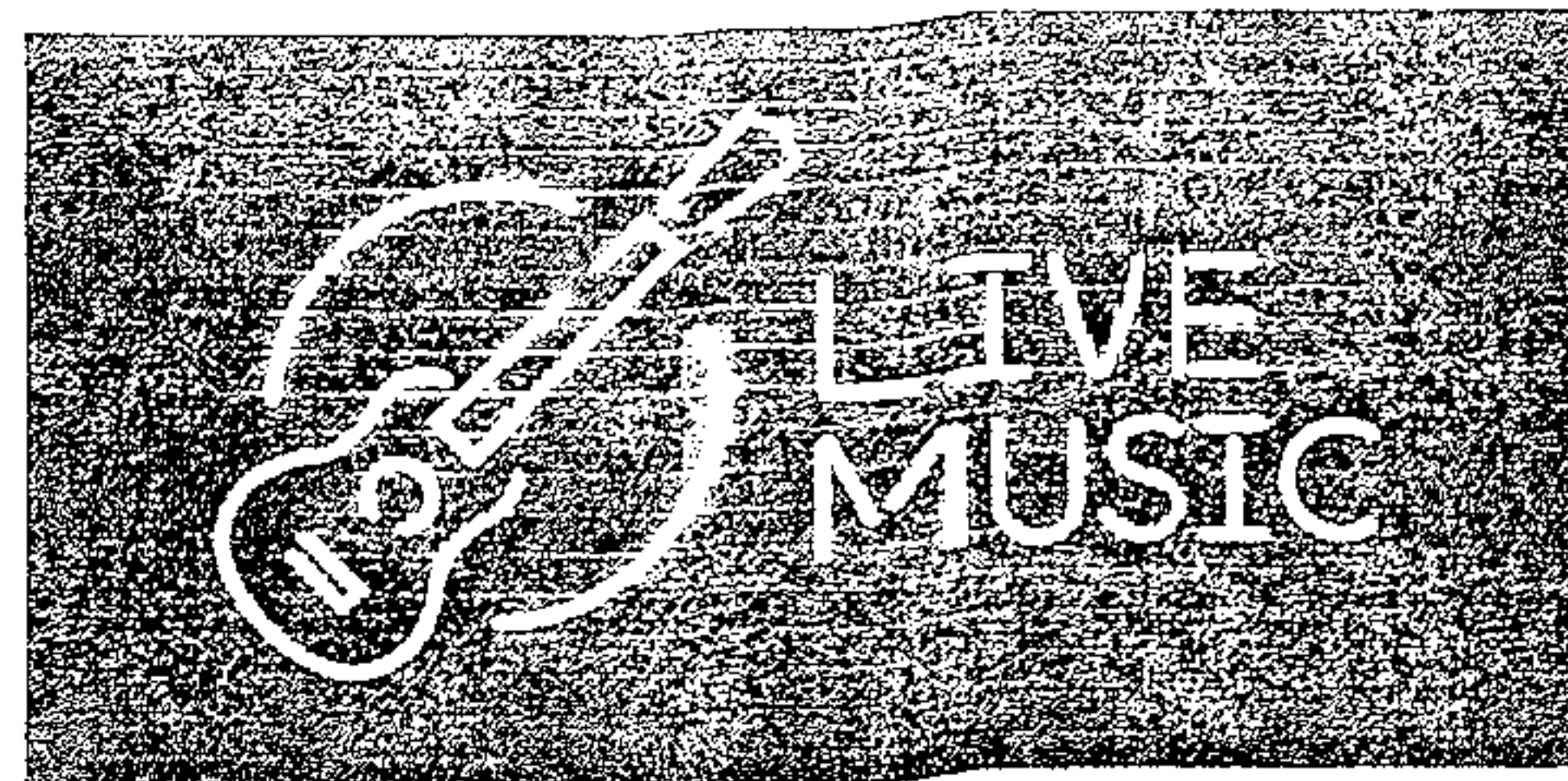
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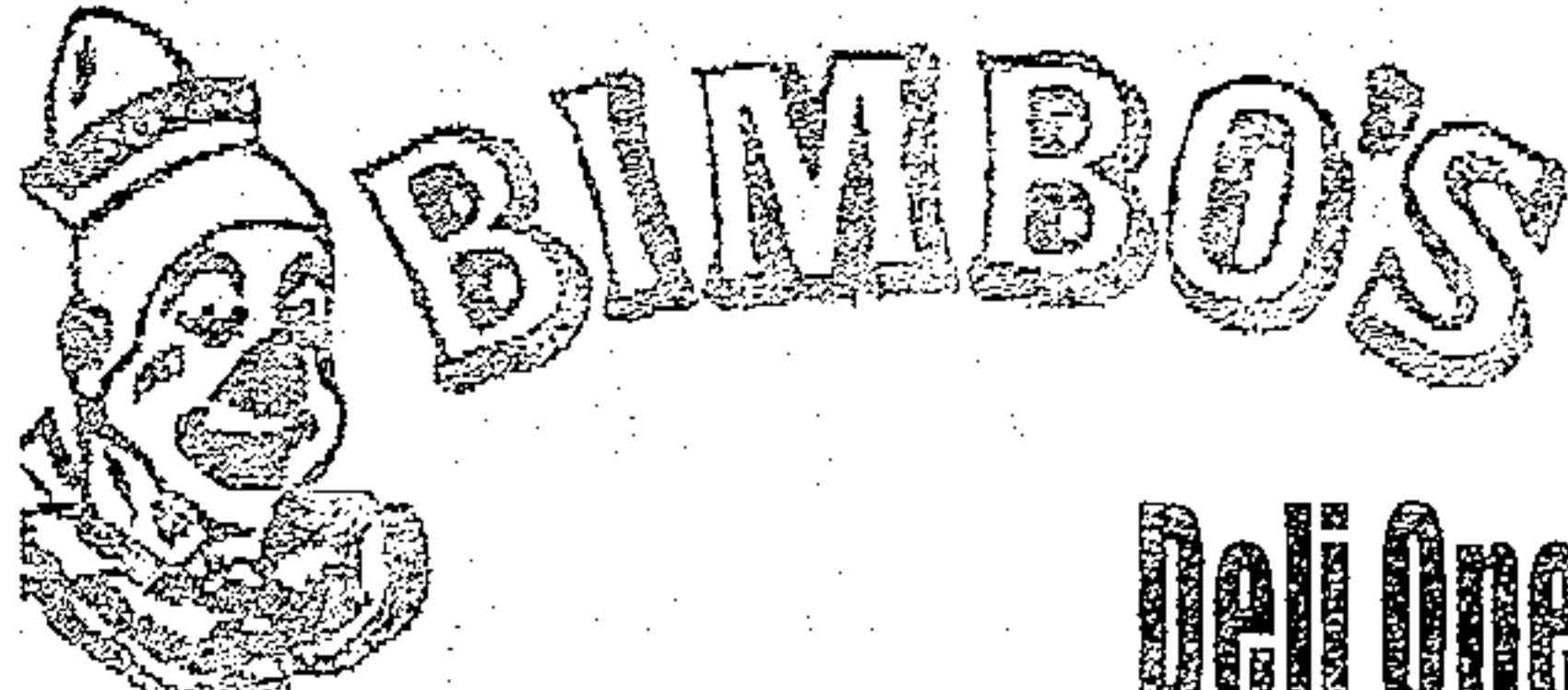
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 The United States is particu-
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 United States is grateful to

the Italian government for
 its robust cooperation in this
 matter.

Assistant U.S. Attorney
 Tracy L. Stone, and Dep-
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