

## A F F I D A V I T

I, Felix Perez, Special Agent, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, being duly sworn, depose and state:

Your affiant is an investigator or law enforcement officer of the United States within the meaning of Titles 18 and 21, United States Code. Your affiant is, therefore, an officer of the United States who is empowered to conduct investigations of, and to make arrest for, the offenses enumerated in Title 18, United States Code.

The affiant has been employed as a Special Agent of ICE since 2003 and previously was employed as a Border Patrol Agent, Immigration Special Agent and U.S. Customs Special Agent.

The affiant is currently assigned to the Office of Investigations in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. The affiant has received training and has conducted investigations into the unlawful importation, possession with intent to distribute, distribution of controlled substances, the laundering of monetary instruments, monetary transactions in property derived from specified unlawful activities and the associated conspiracies, in violation of Titles 18, 21 and 31 of the United States Code.

Through investigations and training, the affiant has become familiar with the types and amounts of profits made by narcotics dealers and methods, language, and terms, which are used to disguise the source and nature of the profits from their illegal narcotics dealing.

Based upon my personal knowledge and information furnished to me by other Federal and State Law Enforcement Officers, I am fully aware and allege the following facts to be true and correct:

On July 20, 2009, at approximately 0230 hrs a CBP Marine Unit launched a vessel to patrol the west coast of Puerto Rico. At approximately 0430 hrs, the CBP air unit observed two surface targets of interest (STOI) traveling westbound from Aguada, Puerto Rico towards the Dominican Republic. The STOIs appeared to be two "yola" type vessels, one of which was traveling with its lights out.

The CBP Air Unit directed the CBP Marine Unit to intercept the STOIs. The CBP Marine unit intercepted two STOIs at coordinates 18:28N/067:30W.

The CBP Marine unit escorted the vessels to the Boquerón Marine Unit for inspection.

On board one of the vessels, identified as Natalia PR2716FF, were Captain Juan A QUINONES-Rosario and Crew Member Raul BOSQUES-Caro. During a search of the vessel Natalia, the officers discovered two suit cases and one small bag full of US currency, all hidden in compartments on the vessel. The total amount of the currency is over one million (\$1,000,000) dollars.

Both subjects admitted to the officers that there was money in the three bags hidden on the vessel and that their intentions were to transport it to a place outside the United States.

The subjects did not file a report, as required by law, stating that they were transporting more than \$10,000 from the United States to a place outside the United States.

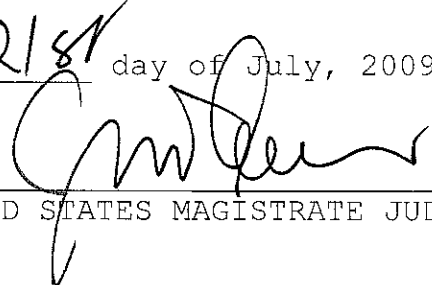
Based on the foregoing facts and circumstances, the Affiant has probable cause to believe that Juan A QUINONES-Rosario and Raul BOSQUES-Caro did knowingly and intentionally violate Title 31, United States Code, Sections 5316 and 5332 and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.



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Felix Perez  
Special Agent  
Immigration and Customs  
Enforcement

Sworn before me this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2009.



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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE