JUDGE PHILIP MARTINEZ

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS EL PASO DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ-ZUNIGA, and MIGUEL ANGEL DOMINGUEZ,

Defendants.

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

CRIMINAL NO. EP-09-CR-

INDICTMENT

Vio: CT 1-18:371; 554 - Conspiracy to Smuggle Goods from the United States

Notice of Government's Demand for Forfeiture

EP09CR0376

<u>COUNT ONE</u> (18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 554))

Beginning on or about February 1, 2007, and continuing to and including on or about January 15, 2009, in the Western District of Texas, and elsewhere, Defendants,

BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ-ZUNIGA, and MIGUEL ANGEL DOMINGUEZ

knowingly, intentionally, and unlawfully conspired, combined, confederated, and agreed together, and with each other, and with others to the Grand Jury known and unknown, to commit offenses against the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371, that is to say, they conspired to knowingly export from and sent from the United States, merchandise, article, and object contrary to any law or regulation of the United States, and received, concealed, bought, and facilitated the transportation and concealment of such merchandise, article, and object, prior to exportation, knowing the same to be intended for exportation contrary to any law or regulation of the United States; to-wit: firearms and ammunition, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371 and 554.

OVERT ACTS

In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to effect the objects thereof, at least one of the coconspirators herein committed one or more of the following overt acts, among others, in the Western District of Texas, and elsewhere:

- 1. On or about February 1, 2007, **BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ ZUNIGA** requested **J.L.G.** purchase firearms for **RUIZ** in the United States and illegally export them to him in Mexico.
- 2. On or about May 22, 2007, **J.L.G.**, exported two firearms from the United States to the Republic of Mexico for **BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ ZUNIGA**.
- On or about March 19, 2008, J.L.G. traveled from Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico to EL Paso, Texas, to receive firearms from persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury that had previously been purchased for J.L.G. for delivery to BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ ZUNIGA in Mexico.
- 4. On or about March 19, 2008, J.L.G. secreted six firearms inside a white cargo van to export them from the United States to the Republic of Mexico for delivery to **BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ ZUNIGA**.
- 5. On or about December 8, 2008, **BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ ZUNIGA** asked an individual to rent a residence on the east side of El Paso, Texas, to use to facilitate firearms smuggling. **RUIZ** was to use one room at this residence.
- 6. On or about December 17, 2008, this individual rented a house at 11824 Dick Mayers in El Paso, Texas, as requested by **BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ ZUNIGA**.
- 7. On or about December 22, 2008, **BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ ZUNIGA** asked an individual to pick up a vehicle in El Paso, County, Texas, for **RUIZ** the following day. **RUIZ** asked him to then drop off the contents of the vehicle at the residence on Dick Mayers. The individual went to the location identified by **RUIZ** on December 23, 2008, and drove the vehicle to the Dick Mayers address. This vehicle contained firearms and ammunition.
- 8. On or about December 23, 2008, MIGUEL ANGEL DOMINGUEZ, received and stored an upper receiver for an AR-15 style firearm from BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ ZUNIGA, and RUIZ asked DOMINGUEZ to store the upper receiver at DOMINGUEZ'S residence in El Paso, County, Texas, until RUIZ could smuggle the upper receiver into Mexico.

All in violation of Title 18 United States Code Section 371.

NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT'S DEMAND FOR FORFEITURE

18 U.S.C. § 554 (a) and 924(d)(1)

As a result of the offenses set forth in Count One herein, Defendants

BEGMAR IVAN RUIZ-ZUNIGA, and MIGUEL ANGEL DOMINGUEZ,

shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), all firearms involved in or used in any knowing violation of the commission of the offenses, including, but not limited, to the following:

- 1. AK GP WASR-10/63 7.62 X 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 1972EH3174.
- 2. AK GP WASR-10/63 7.62 X 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 1976GD0400.
- 3. AK GP WASR-10/63 7.62 X 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 1985 S-BK2850.
- 4. AK GP WASR-10/63 7.62 X 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 1984 NX1259.
- 5. AK GP WASR-10/63 7.62 X 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 1964EF3636.
- 6. AK GP WASR-10/63 7.62 X 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 1988ACL3991.
- 7. AK-47 GP WASR 7.62 x 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 000325.
- 8. AK-47 GP WASR 7.62 x 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number IS-4612-79.
- 9. Romanian AK-47 7.62. x 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 1-26383-2001.
- 10. AK-47 GP WASR 7.62 x 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 000460.
- 11. AK-47 GP WASR 7.62 x 39 mm Assault Rifle Serial Number 000392.
- 12. 240 Rounds of 7.62.x 39 mm Russian Bear Ammunition
- 13 1000 Rounds of Wolf brand 7.62 x 39 m ammunition.
- 14. 88 Rounds of 50 Caliber ammunition.
- 15. 1100 Rounds of 5.56mm ammunition.
- 16. 140 rounds of .223 caliber Wolf brand ammunition.

- 17. 20 rounds of 5.56mm NATO Match ammunition.
- 18. 20 rounds of armor piercing .223 caliber ammunition.
- 19. 6 rounds 12 Gauger Shotgun ammunition.
- 20. 191 rounds of 7.62 x 39mm ammunition.
- 21. 2 each 12 Gauge Sabot Shotgun Slugs ammunition.
- 22. 7 rounds 5.56mm ammunition.
- 23. 19 projectiles 338-270.
- 24. 16 rounds 410 gauge shotgun ammunition.
- 25. 17 rounds .223 caliber Remington brand ammunition.
- 26. 35 rounds 32 auto ammunition.
- 27. 20 rounds 7.62 x 39mm Wolf brand ammunition.
- 28. 70 rounds 12 Gauge shotgun Federal Law Enforcement Demo ammunition.
- 29. 50 rounds 12 Gauge shotgun Federal Law Enforcement Slug ammunition.
- 30. 44 rounds 12 Gauge shotgun 00 Buck ammunition.
- 31. 1 round 12 Gauge shotgun 000 Buck ammunition.
- 32. 1 round 38 special ammunition.
- 33. 2 rounds 38 special speer ammunition.
- 34. 5 rounds 32 auto ammunition.
- 35. 1 round 9mm ammunition.
- 36. 8 rounds .357 ammunition.
- 37. 4 rounds .30 carbine ammunition.
- 38. 7 M16 ammunition magazines.
- 39. 3 AK-47 ammunition magazines.

- 40. 2 each Ballistic body armor plates and carriers.
- 41. 2560 rounds of 7.62 x 39mm Russian ammunition.
- 42. 13 rounds of 38 special ammunition.
- 43. 2 sets of Ballistic body armor.
- 44. 1 AR-15 Upper Receiver.

A TRUE BILL.

FOREPERSON OF THE GRAND JURY

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