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Charges Filed Against Multiple Defendants in White-Collar Crime Conspiracy

The Fresno County District Attorney's Office has filed thirty-five (35) counts against Marcos Garza, Jr. (36, of Fresno), Ana Ramirez (42, of Fresno), Laura Mora (52, of Fresno), and Olivia Rodriguez (55, of Fresno) in a sweeping automobile theft, identity theft and real estate fraud conspiracy.

It is alleged that between February 29, 2020, and November 3, 2022, Garza and Ramirez along with Mora and Rodriguez used the personal identifying information of three victims to purchase four Range Rovers, one Audi A8, two sport boats, and two boat trailers totaling approximately \$459,032.76. It is also alleged that between May 20, 2020, and April 26, 2022, Garza and Ramirez rented several houses using the personal identifying information of one of the victims, resulting in approximate losses to the property owner of \$54,102.15.

The Felony Complaint filed in Fresno Superior Court alleged the following charges and enhancements:

- Three (3) counts of CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT IDENTITY THEFT [Penal Code §182(a)(1)/530.5(a)]
- Five (5) counts of IDENTITY THEFT [Penal Code § 530.5(a)]
- Seven (7) counts of GRAND THEFT AUTO [Penal Code § 487(d)(1)]
- Eleven (11) counts of GRAND THEFT [Penal Code § 487(a)]
- Three (3) counts of SECOND-DEGREE COMMERCIAL BURGLARY [Penal Code § 459/460(b)]
- Four (4) counts of RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY, MOTOR VEHICLE [Penal Code § 496d(a)]
- Two (2) counts of RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY [Penal Code § 496(a)]
- One (1) enhancement of AGGRAVATED WHITE-COLLAR CRIME – EXCEEDING \$500,000 [Penal Code § 186.11(a)(2)]
- One (1) enhancement of AGGRAVATED WHITE-COLLAR CRIME – EXCEEDING \$100,000 [Penal Code § 186.11(a)(3)]

If convicted of all charges and allegations, Garza and Ramirez face a sentence of twenty-four years, eight months in prison, Mora faces a sentence of eight years in prison, and Rodriguez faces a sentence of four years, four months in county jail.

Garza was arrested by the Help Eliminate Auto Theft (H.E.A.T.), a multi-agency task force comprised of detectives and investigators from the California Highway Patrol, Fresno Sheriff's Office, Clovis Police Department, and the Department of Motor Vehicles on November 17, 2022, on related charges, and booked into the Fresno County Jail. Ramirez and Mora were arrested by H.E.A.T. during a search warrant of their residence on November 3, 2022, but were released on zero-dollar emergency bail and are scheduled to appear on January 24, 2023. Rodriguez remains at large.

Garza's arraignment is scheduled for December 23, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. in front of the Honorable Samuel Dalesandro in Department 31 of the Fresno Superior Court.

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