UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

BELTER GIRON,
ALBERTO RIVERA,
RICHARD ROBINSON, and
ONIX EDUARDO

Defendants.

In violation of:

<u>Count One:</u> Conspiracy to Commit Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property

(18 U.S.C. § 371)

1:24-cr-00077-MSM-LDA

Counts Two through Eight:

Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property

(18 U.S.C. § 2314)

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT ONE

(Conspiracy to Commit Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property)

1. From on or about February 1, 2023, to on or about September 30, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, the defendants, BELTER GIRON, ALBERTO RIVERA, RICHARD ROBINSON, and ONIX EDUARDO and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly combine, conspire and agree to transport, transmit, and transfer in interstate commerce from the States of New Hampshire and Connecticut, and the Commonwealths of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania to the State of Rhode Island, stolen goods, wares and merchandise, that is, stolen motor vehicles, motorcycles, and dirt bikes, and other things of value, knowing the same to have been stolen, converted and taken by fraud, contrary to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2314.

The Objects of the Conspiracy

- 2. It was an object of the conspiracy for the defendants GIRON, RIVERA, ROBINSON, and EDUARDO and their co-conspirators to unlawfully enrich themselves by stealing motor vehicles, motorcycles, dirt bikes, and other things of value from dealerships located in the States of New Hampshire and Connecticut, and the Commonwealths of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania and thereafter bringing the stolen property to Rhode Island.
- 3. It was a further object of the conspiracy to profit from the theft of the stolen vehicles, motorcycles, and dirt bikes, and other things of value by selling the stolen property to customers in Rhode Island, New York and elsewhere.

Manner and Means of the Conspiracy

- 4. The manner and means by which the conspirators accomplished the objectives of the conspiracy included, among others, the following:
- 5. It was part of the conspiracy that GIRON, RIVERA, ROBINSON, EDUARDO and one or more of the unindicted co-conspirators researched car dealerships to identify vehicles for future thefts.
- 6. It was a further part of the conspiracy that GIRON, RIVERA, ROBINSON, EDUARDO and one or more of the unindicted co-conspirators assembled and traveled from Rhode Island to conduct break-ins and thefts at vehicle dealerships in the States of New Hampshire and Connecticut, and the Commonwealths of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania. At times during this travel, GIRON, RIVERA, ROBINSON, EDUARDO and other co-conspirators engaged in cellphone communications.

- 7. It was a further part of the conspiracy that GIRON, RIVERA, ROBINSON, EDUARDO and one or more of the unindicted co-conspirators entered dealerships during early morning hours when the businesses were unattended. Once inside, they located keys for vehicles and motorcycles and proceeded to steal the same from the businesses.
- 8. It was a further part of the conspiracy that after GIRON, RIVERA, ROBINSON, EDUARDO and one or more of the unindicted co-conspirators stole vehicles and motorcycles from a dealership, they drove to Rhode Island in possession of the stolen property. From time to time, the conspirators returned to a victim business multiple times within the same early morning and conducted multiple thefts from the same business. On various days and dates, law enforcement officers interrupted the conspirators' flight from crime scenes. The conspirators operated the stolen vehicles in a reckless manner to evade detection and arrest. Upon arrival in Rhode Island, the conspirators concealed the stolen vehicles, motorcycles, and dirt bikes to evade law enforcement detection.
- 9. It was a further part of the conspiracy that in the days after the thefts occurred, GIRON, RIVERA, ROBINSON, EDUARDO and one or more of the unindicted co-conspirators communicated with potential purchasers for the stolen vehicles and motorcycles in an effort to sell the same.
- 10. It was a further part of the conspiracy that GIRON, RIVERA, ROBINSON, EDUARDO and one or more of the unindicted co-conspirators communicated through telephone calls and messaging about events occurring near the time of the break-ins, to

include observations of law enforcement.

Overt Acts in Furtherance of the Conspiracy

- 11. The following overt acts, among others, were committed in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere in furtherance of the conspiracy:
- 12. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 1 in the overnight hours of February 23, 2023, located in Mansfield, CT, and stole twelve vehicles. Each vehicle was valued at more than \$5,000.
- 13. One or more members of the conspiracy drove the stolen vehicles from Business 1.
- 14. One or more members of the conspiracy brought at least nine of the twelve vehicles stolen from Business 1 into Rhode Island.
- 15. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 2 in the early morning hours of March 7, 2023, located at Bear Hill Road, Waltham, MA, and stole fifteen vehicles. Each vehicle was valued at more than \$5,000.
- 16. One or more members of the conspiracy drove the stolen vehicles from Business 2.
- 17. One or more members of the conspiracy brought at least eleven of the fifteen vehicles stolen from Business 2 into Rhode Island.
- 18. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 3 in the early morning hours of March 12, 2023, located at Stage Road, Hampstead, MA, and stole four vehicles. Each vehicle was valued at more than \$5,000.

- 19. One or members of the conspiracy drove the stolen vehicles from Business3.
- 20. One or more members of the conspiracy brought at least two of the four vehicles stolen from Business 3 into Rhode Island.
- 21. On March 13, 2023, at Manton Avenue, Providence, RI, GIRON and ROBINSON placed a car cover over a Jeep Trackhawk stolen from Business 3 on March 12, 2023. The car cover concealed the Jeep Trackhawk from view.
- 22. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 4 in the early morning hours of March 14, 2023, located at Belmont Street, South Easton, MA, and stole thirteen vehicles. Each vehicle was valued at more than \$5,000.
- 23. One or more members of the conspiracy drove the stolen vehicles from Business 4.
- 24. One or more members of the conspiracy brought at least ten of the thirteen vehicles stolen from Business 4 into Rhode Island.
- 25. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 5 in the early morning hours of July 10, 2023, located in Somerset, MA, and stole two vehicles. Each vehicle was valued at more than \$5,000.
- 26. One or more members of the conspiracy drove the stolen vehicles from Business 5.
- 27. One or more members of the conspiracy brought at least one of the vehicles into Rhode Island.
 - 28. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 6 in the early

morning hours of July 11, 2023, located in Westport, MA, and stole eight vehicles. Seven of these vehicles were valued at more than \$5,000.

- 29. One or more members of the conspiracy drove the stolen vehicles from Business 6.
- 30. One or more members of the conspiracy brought at least one of the vehicles into Rhode Island.
- 31. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 8 in the early morning hours of August 2, 2023, located in Phillipston, MA, and stole numerous items, including eleven dirt bikes, each of which had a value of more than \$5,000.
- 32. One or more members of the conspiracy brought at least eight of the dirt bikes stolen from Business 8 into Rhode Island.
- 33. On or about August 3, 2023, GIRON stored eight of the stolen dirt bikes at his North Providence, RI residence.
- 34. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 9 in the early morning hours of June 28, 2023, located in Northbridge, MA, and stole three vehicles and several key fobs. Each vehicle was valued at more than \$5,000.
- 35. One or more members of the conspiracy drove the stolen vehicles from Business 9.
- 36. One or more members of the conspiracy brought at least one of the vehicles stolen from Business 9 into Rhode Island. On July 2, 2023, EDUARDO and a co-conspirator discarded key fobs taken from Business 9 in Cranston, RI.
 - 37. One or more members of the conspiracy traveled to Business 10 in the

early morning hours of September 10, 2023, located in Attleboro, MA. Law enforcement interrupted the burglary at Business 10 and apprehended the getaway driver. A search of the getaway vehicle revealed two phones belonging to EDUARDO in the vehicle.

38. All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371.

COUNT TWO

(18 U.S.C. § 2314 – Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property)

- 39. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 39 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 40. On or about February 23, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island, the defendant, Richard ROBINSON, did unlawfully transport, transmit, and transfer in interstate commerce from the State of Connecticut to the State of Rhode Island, stolen goods, wares and merchandise, that is, a 2015 Lexus GS350 motor vehicle, VIN JTHCE1BL0FA002425, of the value of \$5,000 or more, knowing the same to have been stolen, converted, and taken by fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

COUNT THREE

(18 U.S.C. § 2314 – Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property)

- 41. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 39 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 42. 32. On or about March 7, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island, the defendants, Belter GIRON, Alberto RIVERA and Richard ROBINSON, did unlawfully transport, transmit, and transfer in interstate commerce from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the State of Rhode Island, stolen goods, wares and merchandise, that

is, a 2022 Porsche 911 motor vehicle, VIN WP0AD2A97NS255810, of the value of \$5,000 or more, knowing the same to have been stolen, converted, and taken by fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code § 2314.

COUNT FOUR

(18 U.S.C. § 2314 – Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property)

- 43. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 39 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 44. 34. On or about March 12, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island, the defendants, Belter GIRON, Alberto RIVERA and Richard ROBINSON, did unlawfully transport, transmit, and transfer in interstate commerce from the State of New Hampshire to the State of Rhode Island, stolen goods, wares and merchandise, that is, a 2020 Jeep Grand Cherokee Trackhawk motor vehicle, VIN 1C4RJFN94LC257857, of the value of \$5,000 or more, knowing the same to have been stolen, converted, and taken by fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

COUNT FIVE

(18 U.S.C. § 2314 – Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property)

- 45. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 39 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 46. 36. On or about March 14, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island, the defendants, Belter GIRON, Alberto RIVERA and Richard ROBINSON, did unlawfully transport, transmit, and transfer in interstate commerce from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the State of Rhode Island, stolen goods, wares and merchandise, that

is, a 2015 Mercedes S-Class-S63 AMG motor vehicle, VIN WDDXJ7JBXFA005266, of the value of \$5,000 or more, knowing the same to have been stolen, converted, and taken by fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

COUNT SIX

(18 U.S.C. § 2314 – Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property)

- 47. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 39 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 48. On or about June 28, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island, the defendant, ONIXEDUARDO, did unlawfully transport, transmit, and transfer in interstate commerce from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the State of Rhode Island, stolen goods, wares and merchandise, that is, a 2021 blue Dodge Charger motor vehicle, VIN 2C3CDXMG2MH570508, of the value of \$5,000 or more, knowing the same to have been stolen, converted, and taken by fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

COUNT SEVEN

(18 U.S.C. § 2314 – Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property)

- 49. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 39 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 50. On or about July 26, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island, the defendant, BELTER GIRON did unlawfully transport, transmit, and transfer in interstate commerce from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the State of Rhode Island, stolen goods, wares and merchandise, that is, a Husqvarna motorcycle, VIN VBKUXS431RM336967, of the value of \$5,000 or more, knowing the same to have been

stolen, converted and, and taken by fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

COUNT EIGHT

(18 U.S.C. § 2314 – Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property)

- 51. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 39 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 52. 36. On or about August 2, 2023, in the District of Rhode Island, the defendant, BELTER GIRON, did unlawfully transport, transmit, and transfer in interstate commerce from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the State of Rhode Island, stolen goods, wares and merchandise, that is, a 2023 Yamaha YZ65P bearing VIN JYACE29C0PA006369, of the value of \$5,000 or more, knowing the same to have been stolen, converted, and taken by fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

Upon conviction of one or more of the offenses of this Indictment, defendants

BELTER GIRON, ALBERTO RIVERA, RICHARD ROBINSON, and ONIX EDUARDO

shall forfeit to the United States of America, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), all right, title, and interest in any and all property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2314, and a sum of money equal to the total amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offenses, including in the form of a money judgement.

If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or

omission of the defendant, cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence, has been transferred, sold to, or deposited with a third party, has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court, has been substantially diminished in value, or has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty, it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p), as incorporated by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendants up to the value of the forfeitable property described above.

All in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1), as incorporated by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), and Rule 32.2(a), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

A TRUE BILL:

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