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### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

FELIKS MEDVEDEV

Superseding Criminal Indictment

No. 1:22-CR-00184

**UNDER SEAL** 

HIGHLY SENSITIVE DOCUMENT

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

### Count One Conducting an Unlicensed Money Transmitting Business

- 1. Money transmitting businesses are required by federal law to register with the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States unless specifically exempted by law.
- 2. In the large majority of States, including the State of Georgia, a money transmitting license is required to conduct such a business. Operating a money transmitting business without a license is a crime under Georgia law, O.C.G.A. §§ 7-1-680 and 7-1-681. Operating a money transmitting business without a license in a State requiring such a license is punishable as a felony under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1960.
- 3. As used, a "money transmitting business" is an individual or entity engaged in check cashing, currency exchange, money transmitting or remittance services, or an informal money transfer system.

- 4. The term "money transmitting" includes, among other things, transferring funds through an electronic funds transfer network involving a financial institution in the Federal Reserve system of the United States.
- 5. As used, an "unlicensed money transmitting business" means a money transmitting business that affects interstate commerce and foreign commerce in any manner and degree and fails to comply with the money transmitting business registration requirements under Section 5330 of Title 31, United States Code, and regulations prescribed under that section.
- 6. The defendant, FELIKS MEDVEDEV, was the registered agent for eight companies that were registered with the Georgia Secretary of State as follows:

Date Registered	Company	Principle Office Address	Registered Business Purpose
		11 Buford Village Way,	Technology (Control of Control of
7/16/19	Dashingstar Pte Ltd	Ste 123, Buford, GA	Any legal purpose
	KSK International	11 Buford Village Way,	Professional
7/16/19	Inc	Ste 123, Buford, GA	equipment
	ASR-ASIA Co.	11 Buford Village Way,	Coal/mineral
9/26/19	Limited	Ste 123, Buford, GA	wholesaler
	Mablestine	11 Buford Village Way,	Nondurable Goods
11/11/19	Incorporated	Ste 123, Buford, GA	wholesaler
	Elnox Trading Pte	11 Buford Village Way,	
11/18/19	Ltd	Ste 123, Buford, GA	Electronic Shopping
	Albequipment	11 Buford Village Way,	Computer/software
11/29/19	Trading Pte Ltd	Ste 123, Buford, GA	wholesaler
		11 Buford Village Way,	
7/29/20	Wedex Trade LLC	Ste 123, Buford, GA	Electronic shopping
		2700 Braselton	
		Highway, Suite 10-362,	Computer software
7/29/20	Topcompix Pte Ltd	Dacula, GA	wholesaler

- 7. Defendant MEDVEDEV opened bank accounts for each of these companies and was the sole signatory on these accounts. These companies did not have any expenditures for payroll, rent, warehousing space, equipment, import/export fees, fuel, shipping costs, or other typical business expenses. They also did not have employees.
- 8. There were over 1,200 transfers totaling over \$150 million into the bank accounts controlled by defendant MEDVEDEV for these companies. Over \$150 million was then transferred out of these accounts in over 1,300 transactions.
- 9. Defendant Medvedev retained over \$500,000 from the funds transferred into the accounts he controlled.
- 10. Beginning on a date unknown, but at least by in or about August 2019 and continuing until in or about February 2022, in the Northern District of Georgia and elsewhere, the defendant, FELIKS MEDVEDEV, did knowingly conduct, control, manage, supervise, direct, and own an unlicensed money transmitting business in that the defendant, FELIKS MEDVEDEV, did knowingly conduct, control, manage, supervise, direct, and own all and part of an unlicensed money transmitting business, which transferred funds on behalf of the public by means including wire transfers to locations within the United States and to locations abroad, which affected interstate and foreign commerce, in a manner and a degree, and which (a) was operated without an appropriate money transmitting license in a State, to wit, Georgia, where such operation is punishable as a misdemeanor and a felony under State law; and (b) failed to comply with the

money transmitting business registration requirements under Title 31, United States Code, Section 5330, and regulations prescribed under such section.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1960.

### Count Two Money Laundering Conspiracy

- 11. The Grand Jury hereby realleges and incorporates by reference the factual allegations of paragraphs 1 through 9 of this Indictment as if the same were fully set forth herein.
- 12. From in or about August 2019, through on or about February 24, 2022, in the Northern District of Georgia and elsewhere, the defendant, FELIKS MEDVEDEV, did knowingly combine, conspire, agree and have a tacit understanding with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury to commit offenses against the United States in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956 and Section 1957, to wit:
  - a. to knowingly transport, transmit, and transfer and attempt to transport, transmit, and transfer a monetary instrument and funds from a place in the United States to and through a place outside the United States with the intent to promote the carrying on of specified unlawful activity, that is, conducting, controlling, managing, supervising, directing, and owning an unlicensed money transmitting business in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1960, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(2)(A); and

- b. to knowingly engage and attempt to engage in monetary transactions by, through, and to a financial institution, affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, that is, conducting, controlling, managing, supervising, directing, and owning an unlicensed money transmitting business in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1960, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957.
- 13. It was part of the conspiracy that defendant MEDVEDEV and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury used funds from defendant MEDVEDEV's companies' bank accounts to purchase gold bullion.
- 14. The purchase of gold bullion was done in two ways. First, money was transferred directly from the bank accounts to the Singapore Precious Metals Exchange. Second, money was transferred to the Scottsdale Mint, in Arizona, which then transferred money to the Singapore Precious Metals Exchange.
- 15. The Singapore Precious Metals Exchange is located at Le Freeport Singapore, where it has a secure facility to hold physical gold.
- 16. Once the Singapore Precious Metals Exchange received the funds, it credited the purchaser's trading account with gold bullion.
- 17. Defendant MEDVEDEV and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury also rented safe deposit boxes from Auruma Global Limited, a company that maintained secure safe deposit boxes to hold gold bullion for customers of the Singapore Precious Metals Exchange. The customers then transferred the

bullion from the Singapore Precious Metals Exchange to the safe deposit boxes at Auruma Global Limited. The gold could be stored in the safe deposit boxes, transferred to other boxes, or transferred into Singapore Precious Metals Exchange trading accounts.

18. All told, defendant MEDVEDEV's companies transmitted approximately \$65 million to purchase gold bullion from the Singapore Precious Metals Exchange.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h).

## Counts Three through Twenty-One Money Laundering (International Laundering of Monetary Instruments)

- 19. The Grand Jury hereby realleges and incorporates by reference the factual allegations of paragraphs 1 through 9 and 13 through 18 of this Indictment as if the same were fully set forth herein.
- 20. On or about the dates set forth below, in the Northern District of Georgia and elsewhere, the defendant, FELIKS MEDVEDEV, aided and abetted by others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly transport, transmit, and transfer and attempt to transport, transmit, and transfer and cause to be transported, transmitted, and transferred monetary instruments and funds, that is, the transactions set forth below, from a place in the United States, that is, the Northern District of Georgia and elsewhere, to and through a place outside the United States, that is, Singapore, with the intent to promote the carrying on of a

specified unlawful activity, that is, conducting, controlling, managing, supervising, directing, and owning an unlicensed money transmitting business in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1960, punishable under the laws of the United States:

	Date	Transaction	Amount
Count 3	4/3/2020	International wire from JP	\$376,220.00
		MorganChase (JPMC) account No.	
		***8226 to United Overseas Bank	
		Ltd. Singapore	
Count 4	5/22/2020	International wire from JPMC	\$954,020.00
		account No. ***8226 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 5	6/22/2020	International wire from JPMC	\$447,000.00
		account No. ***5675 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 6	7/28/2020	International wire from JPMC	\$201,925.00
		account No. ***5675 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 7	7/29/2020	International wire from JPMC	\$469,924.78
		account No. ***5675 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 8	8/7/2020	International wire from JPMC	\$500,000.00
		account No. ***5675 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 9	9/14/2020	International wire from JPMC	\$500,000.00
		account No. ***8226 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 10	10/9/2020	International wire from Truist	\$1,226,021.00
		f/k/a BB&T (Truist) account No.	
		***0592 to United Overseas Bank	
		Ltd. Singapore	
Count 11	12/4/2020	International wire from Truist	\$776,434.40
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	

	Date	Transaction	Amount
Count 12	2/2/2021	International wire from Truist	\$200,000.00
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 13	3/9/2021	International wire from Truist	\$867,971.30
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 14	4/21/2021	International wire from Truist	\$516,700.00
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 15	5/26/2021	International wire from Truist	\$776,962.00
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 16	6/25/2021	International wire from Truist	\$750,000.00
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 17	7/19/2021	International wire from Truist	\$896,994.00
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 18	8/31/2021	International wire from Truist	\$698,602.80
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 19	9/30/2021	International wire from Truist	\$500,000.00
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 20	10/29/2021	International wire from Truist	\$559,388.72
		account No. ***0592 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	
Count 21	1/11/2022	International wire from PNC	\$227,517.30
		account No. ***6771 to United	
		Overseas Bank Ltd. Singapore	

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(2)(A) and Section 2.

# Counts Twenty-Two through Forty Money Laundering (Engaging in Monetary Transactions in Property Derived from Specified Unlawful Activity)

- 21. The Grand Jury hereby realleges and incorporates by reference the factual allegations of paragraphs 1 through 9 and 13 through 18 of this Indictment as if the same were fully set forth herein.
- 22. On or about the dates set forth below, in the Northern District of Georgia and elsewhere, the defendant, FELIKS MEDVEDEV, aided and abetted by others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did knowingly engage and attempt to engage in the monetary transactions set forth below by, through, and to a financial institution, affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, that is, the wire transfer of funds, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, that is, conducting, controlling, managing, supervising, directing, and owning an unlicensed money transmitting business in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1960:

Date Transaction Amount 11/6/2020 Count 22 International wire from BOK Acct. \$699,496.88 No. \*\*\*8068 to DBS Bank Ltd. (Singapore) Acct. No. \*\*\*26-01-8 12/1/2020 Count 23 International wire from BOK Acct. \$635,906.26 No. \*\*\*8068 to DBS Bank Ltd. (Singapore) Acct. No. \*\*\*26-01-8 3/4/2021 Count 24 International wire from BOK Acct. \$947,463.00 No. \*\*\*8068 to DBS Bank Ltd. (Singapore) Acct. No. \*\*\*26-01-8

	Date	Transaction	Amount
Count 25	4/21/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$692,130.36
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 26	5/20/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$682,819.09
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 27	5/26/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$593,259.78
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 28	6/9/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$645,619.68
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 29	6/23/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$605,421.65
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 30	6/30/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$708,696.72
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 31	7/13/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$724,998.11
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 32	7/22/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$625,795.59
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 33	8/6/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$746,078.13
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 34	8/24/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$678,780.80
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 35	9/16/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$606,202.69
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 36	9/30/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$657,269.71
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	

	Date	Transaction	Amount
Count 37	10/18/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$593,838.68
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 38	11/3/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$573,948.60
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 39	11/19/2021	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$2,394,000.00
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	
Count 40	2/25/2022	International wire from BOK Acct.	\$666,828.75
		No. ***8068 to DBS Bank Ltd.	
		(Singapore) Acct. No. ***26-01-8	

All in violation of 18, United States Code, Section 1957 and Section 2.

#### **Forfeiture**

Upon conviction of one or more of the offenses alleged in Counts One through Forty of this Indictment, the defendant, FELIKS MEDVEDEV, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1), any property, real or personal, involved in said violations, and any property traceable to such property, including, but not limited to, the following:

(a) MONEY JUDGMENT: A sum of money in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds obtained as a result of each offense for which the defendant is convicted.

If, any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;

- (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- (e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States intends, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

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