



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

EDUARD GASPARYAN,
aka "Rudy Pineda,"
aka "Papin Galstyan," and
ANGELA KARCHYAN,

Defendants.

CR No. 2:22-cr-00448-JLS

I N F O R M A T I O N

[18 U.S.C. § 1349: Conspiracy
to Commit Wire Fraud; 18 U.S.C.
§ 1028A(a)(1): Aggravated
Identity Theft]

The United States Attorney charges:

COUNT ONE

[18 U.S.C. § 1349]

[ALL DEFENDANTS]

Beginning in or before 2020, and continuing through at
least September 1, 2022, in Los Angeles County, within the
Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendants EDUARD
GASPARYAN, also known as ("aka") "Rudy Pineda," aka "Papin
Galstyan," and ANGELA KARCHYAN conspired with one another and
others known and unknown to the United States Attorney to commit
wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code,

1 Section 1343. The object of the conspiracy was carried out, and
2 to be carried out, in substance, as follows: Defendant
3 GASPARYAN and his co-conspirators would steal the identities of
4 victims and apply for unemployment benefits using their
5 identifying information. Defendants GASPARYAN and KARCHYAN
6 would use the debit cards containing those fraudulently obtained
7 benefits to withdraw cash at ATMs. Defendants GASPARYAN and
8 KARCHYAN and their co-conspirators would purchase vehicles in
9 their own names and in the names of the identity-theft victims,
10 but would provide the sellers with worthless checks or bank
11 account numbers to purportedly pay for the vehicles. Defendant
12 GASPARYAN and his co-conspirators would also rent vehicles in
13 the names of identity-theft victims and then cause the DMV to
14 remove the true owners from the registration for those vehicles
15 by presenting forged documents to the DMV. Defendants GASPARYAN
16 and KARCHYAN and their co-conspirators used interstate wires to
17 defraud their victims throughout this conspiracy.

COUNT TWO

[18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1)]

[ALL DEFENDANTS]

Beginning in or before 2020, and continuing through at least September 1, 2022, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendants EDUARD GASPARYAN, also known as ("aka") "Rudy Pineda," aka "Papin Galstyan," and ANGELA KARCHYAN knowingly transferred, possessed, and used, without lawful authority, a means of identification of another person, including the name of victim "Papin Galstyan" on April 24, 2021, during and in relation to a felony violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349, Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud, as charged in Count One of this Information, knowing that the means of identification belonged to another actual person.

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