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CENTRAL DIST. OF CALIF.
LOS ANGELES

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

February 2010 Grand Jury

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, plaintiff,

v.

ANDREE GUNAWAN,

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Defendant.

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I N D I C I M E N I

[18 U.S.C. § 545: Importing Wildlife Contrary to Law; 16 U.S.C. §§ 1538(a)(1)(F), 1540(b): Illegal Offer to Sell Endangered Species in Interstate and Foreign Commerce; 16 U.S.C. §§ 1538(a)(1)(A), 1540(b)(1): Illegal Importation of Endangered Species; 18 U.S.C. § 2(b): Causing an Act to be Done]

The Grand Jury charges:

INTRODUCTORY ALLEGATIONS

At all times relevant to this Indictment:

A. The Endangered Species Act

1. The <u>Scleropages formosus</u>, commonly known as the Asian Arowana or Dragon Fish (hereinafter the "Asian Arowana"), was listed as an endangered wildlife species under the Endangered Species Act. 50 C.F.R. § 17.11.

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- a. The importation of any endangered wildlife species without a permit issued by the United States. 50 C.F.R. § 17.21(b).
- b. The sale or offer for sale in interstate or foreign commerce of any endangered wildlife species without a permit issued by the United States. 50 C.F.R. § 17.21(f).
- 3. These Introductory Allegations are hereby re-alleged and incorporated by reference into each and every count of this Indictment.

COUNT ONE

[18 U.S.C. §§ 545, 2(b)]

On or about July 26, 2005, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendant ANDREE GUNAWAN ("GUNAWAN") did fraudulently and knowingly import, bring, and cause the importation and bringing of merchandise, namely, endangered Asian Arowana fishes, into the United States contrary to law. Specifically, defendant GUNAWAN brought, imported, and caused the bringing and importation of approximately two Asian Arowana fishes into the United States contrary to law, namely, without first obtaining a valid import permit from the United States, in violation of Title 16, United States Code, Section 1538(c)(1), and Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 17.21(a) and (b).

COUNT TWO

[18 U.S.C. §§ 545, 2(b)]

On or about August 10, 2005, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendant ANDREE GUNAWAN ("GUNAWAN") did fraudulently and knowingly import, bring, and cause the importation and bringing of merchandise, namely, endangered Asian Arowana fishes, into the United States contrary to law. Specifically, defendant GUNAWAN brought, imported, and caused the bringing and importation of approximately ten Asian Arowana fishes into the United States contrary to law, namely, without first obtaining a valid import permit from the United States, in violation of Title 16, United States Code, Section 1538(c)(1), and Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 17.21(a) and (b).

COUNT THREE

[16 U.S.C. §§ 1538(a)(1)(F), 1540(b)(1)]

On or about July 26, 2005, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendant ANDREE GUNAWAN did knowingly offer for sale in interstate and foreign commerce endangered wildlife species, namely, approximately two Asian Arowana fishes, without a permit issued by the United States.

COUNT FOUR

[16 U.S.C. §§ 1538(a)(1)(F), 1540(b)(1)]

On or about August 10, 2005, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendant ANDREE GUNAWAN did knowingly offer for sale in interstate and foreign commerce endangered wildlife species, namely, approximately ten Asian Arowana fishes, without a permit issued by the United States.

COUNT FIVE

[16 U.S.C. §§ 1538(a)(1)(A), 1540(b)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2(b)]
On or about July 26, 2005, in Los Angeles County, within the
Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendant ANDREE
GUNAWAN did knowingly import and cause the importation of
endangered wildlife species, namely, two Asian Arowana fishes,
without a permit issued by the United States.

COUNT SIX

[16 U.S.C. §§ 1538(a)(1)(A), 1540(b)(1); 18 U.S.C. § 2(b)]
On or about August 10, 2005, in Los Angeles County, within
the Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendant
ANDREE GUNAWAN did knowingly import and cause the importation of
endangered wildlife species, namely, ten Asian Arowana fishes,
without a permit issued by the United States.

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