

WW3 Operations - A Short list of 200 Criminal Defendants

WW3 operations may be identified in connection with cartel violence/trafficking, foreign-linked criminal activity, cyber espionage, hacking, fraud, sanctions evasion, identity theft, or other conduct.

1–29 — Mexican cartel / transnational-crime defendants

These 29 were transferred from Mexico into U.S. custody in February 2025 and face federal charges involving racketeering, drug trafficking, murder, firearms, money laundering and related conduct. DOJ identified cartel affiliations including Sinaloa, CJNG, Cártel del Noreste, La Nueva Familia Michoacana and Cártel del Golfo. Department of Justice

1. Jose Angel Canobbio-Inzunza
2. Norberto Valencia Gonzalez
3. Alder Marin Sotelo
4. Evaristo Cruz Sanchez
5. Garcia Villano
6. Lucio Hernandez Lechuga
7. Ramiro Perez Moreno
8. Miguel Angel Rodriguez Diaz
9. Jose Rodolfo Villarreal Hernandez
10. Rafael Caro Quintero
11. Vicente Carrillo Fuentes
12. Jose Bibiano Cabrera Cabrera
13. Andrew Clark
14. Hector Eduardo Infante
15. Jesus Humberto Limon Lopez
16. Jose Guadalupe Tapia Quintero
17. Inez Enrique Torres Acosta
18. Jesus Galaviz Vega
19. Luis Geraldo Mendez Estevane
20. Carlos Alberto Monsivais Trevino
21. Carlos Alfredo Vazquez Algreto
22. Rodolfo Lopez Ibarra
23. Antonio Oseguera Cervantes
24. Alfredo Rangel Buendia
25. Miguel Angel Trevino Morales
26. Omar Trevino Morales
27. Erick Valencia Salazar
28. Jesus Mendez Vargas
29. Itiel Palacios Garcia

30–55 — Mexican cartel / human-smuggling defendants

These 26 were transferred from Mexico in August 2025. DOJ says the cases involve drug trafficking, kidnapping/hostage-taking, firearms, human smuggling, money laundering, murder and cartel activity. Department of Justice

- 30.Enrique Arballo Talamantes
- 31.Benito Barrios Maldonado
- 32.Luis Raul Castro Valenzuela
- 33.Francisco Chavez
- 34.Abdul Karim Conteh
- 35.Baldomero Fernandez Beltran
- 36.Ismael Enrique Fernandez Vazquez
- 37.Leobardo Garcia Corrales
- 38.Abigael Gonzalez Valencia
- 39.Jose Carlos Guzman Bernal
- 40.Anton Petrov Kulkin
- 41.Roberto Omar Lopez
- 42.Jose Francisco Mendoza Gomez
- 43.Hernan Domingo Ojeda Lopez
- 44.Daniel Perez Rojas
- 45.Juan Carlos Sanchez Gaytan
- 46.David Fernando Vasquez Bejarano
- 47.Jose Antonio Vivanco Hernandez
- 48.Mauro Alberto Nunez Ojeda
- 49.Juan Carlos Felix Gastelum
- 50.Jesus Guzman Castro
- 51.Pablo Edwin Huerta Nuno
- 52.Servando Gomez Martinez
- 53.Kevin Gil Acosta
- 54.Roberto Salazar
- 55.Martin Zazueta Perez

56–136 — Los Baja Deo / Puerto Rico trafficking organization

These 81 defendants were federally charged in August 2026 in a Puerto Rico drug-trafficking/firearms case. DOJ alleges the organization distributed fentanyl, cocaine and other drugs, generated more than \$49 million, and used violence including shootings, kidnappings and murders. Department of Justice

- 56.José Onairam Medina-Marrero
- 57.Jeffrey Omar Delgado-López
- 58.Christian Oneil Meléndez-López

- 59.Josué Lee Obregón-Vargas
- 60.Ulises Irizarry-Santiago
- 61.Anfernee Jonans Martínez-Pérez
- 62.Ramón Miguel Rodríguez-Pacheco
- 63.Nelson Rafael Vargas Valentín-Rivera
- 64.Cristian Joel Mercado-Rodríguez
- 65.Alexis Omar Millón-García
- 66.Saturnino Barbosa-Ortiz
- 67.Jeremy Omar González-Díaz
- 68.Rafael Orlando Martínez-Mercado
- 69.Luis Ezequiel Bayron-Hernández
- 70.Israel Enrique Rivera-Díaz
- 71.Jexiel Rivera-Echandy
- 72.Wiljaniel Echandy-Ortiz
- 73.Andrés De Jesús-Camacho
- 74.Delvis Habanell Torres-Acevedo
- 75.José Israel Román-Irizarry
- 76.Jiam Maico Ramos-Vega
- 77.Ricardo Alexis Torres-Rodríguez
- 78.Héctor Lucas Zaragoza-Alicea
- 79.Alexandre Pérez-Díaz
- 80.Kevin Oneal Román-Zapata
- 81.Miguel Ángel Rodríguez-Pacheco
- 82.Luis Ángel Cruz-Pérez
- 83.Ashley Angely Martell-Prosper
- 84.Caridad Migdali Ferrer-Carrero
- 85.Betsy Santiago-Almodovar
- 86.Nelson Rafael Vargas-Alers
- 87.Cristal Yarits Rivera-Matías
- 88.Louwark Giovanni Rodríguez-Ramírez
- 89.Christian Javier Medina-Marrero
- 90.Christopher José Medina-Marrero
- 91.Kevin Bryan Ruiz-Millán
- 92.Christian Oneil Flores-Ramos
- 93.Lester Roberto Rodríguez
- 94.Joshua Omar Cornier-Valentín
- 95.José Medina-Padilla
- 96.Arístides Lorenzo Ruperto
- 97.José Antonio Rivera-Barbosa
- 98.Abdiel Omar Sánchez-Negrón
- 99.Félix Alberto Esteves-Vargas
- 100.Moisés Isaac González-Bayron

101.Neftalí Santiago-Santiago
102.Jeremy Oneell Rivera-Flores
103.Joshua Méndez-Montes
104.Ryan Lowell Moreno-Ortiz
105.Héctor M. Cotto-Rodríguez
106.Gary Jayson Bonet-Martell
107.Dwight Yonice Carrero-Ramírez
108.Keithy Enid Rosas
109.John Emmanuel Vélez-Borrero
110.José Manuel Vélez-Torres
111.Waleska Morales-Martínez
112.Kelvin Camuy González
113.Diego Andrés Rivera-Ballester
114.Ángel Yandel Figueroa-Rivera
115.Walter Jesús Colón-Rodríguez
116.José Joel Morales-Bayron
117.Amniel Josué Miró-Núñez
118.Michael José Díaz-Derix
119.Amarilys Torres Rivera
120.Abiezer Bayron Vargas
121.Jean Michael Cruz-Robles
122.Ezequiel Jamuel Soler-Vélez
123.Plimo Aníbal Picart-Padilla
124.Eriel Omar Rodríguez
125.Jesse Lucre Rodríguez
126.Dereck Alberto Carrero-Torres
127.Santos Alexis Goden-Rodríguez
128.Zuleika Marie Fred-Echevarría
129.Elizabeth Díaz-Fábregas
130.Edwin Javier Acosta-Ortiz
131.Victor González-Ramírez
132.Christy Marie Alicea-Torres
133.Lydia Odalys Pagán-Martínez
134.Roberto Jr. Granell-López
135.Rubi Cristina Rodríguez-Quñones
136.Abdiel Manuel Ruiz-Lucena

137–153 — Iranian cyber-espionage / hacking defendants

These 17 were charged in August 2026 in the Mabna Institute case. DOJ alleges cyber intrusions against 144 U.S. universities, 42 U.S. companies and U.S. government agencies, with more than 31 terabytes of data stolen, including activity conducted for Iranian government/IRGC clients. Department of Justice

137.Gholamreza Rafatnejad
138.Ehsan Mohammadi
139.Abdollah Karima
140.Mostafa Sadeghi
141.Seyed Ali Mirkarmi
142.Mohammed Reza Sabahi
143.Roozbeh Sabahi
144.Abuzar Gohari Moqadam
145.Sajjad Tahmasebi
146.Saeid Houshyar
147.Behzad Mesri
148.Manouchehr Hashemloo
149.Keyvan Fayaz
150.Amir Barati
151.Saber Shahbazi Ballojeh
152.Arman Kahzadian
153.Mojtaba Galekuhi

154–167 — North Korean IT-worker / sanctions-evasion defendants

DOJ charged these 14 North Korean nationals with an alleged scheme involving stolen identities, fraudulent employment with U.S. companies, money laundering, sanctions violations and theft/extortion of sensitive corporate information. DOJ says the scheme generated at least \$88 million for the DPRK. Department of Justice

154.Jong Song Hwa
155.Ri Kyong Sik
156.Kim Ryu Song
157.Rim Un Chol
158.Kim Mu Rim
159.Cho Chung Pom
160.Hyon Chol Song
161.Son Un Chol
162.Sok Kwang Hyok
163.Choe Jong Yong
164.Ko Chung Sok
165.Kim Ye Won
166.Jong Kyong Chol
167.Jang Chol Myong

168–174 — Chinese APT31 cyber-espionage defendants

DOJ charged these seven PRC nationals over alleged participation in APT31, which prosecutors said targeted U.S. government officials, political organizations, businesses, journalists, academics and dissidents for Chinese government intelligence and economic-espionage objectives. Department of Justice

168.Ni Gaobin

169.Weng Ming

170.Cheng Feng

171.Peng Yaowen

172.Sun Xiaohui

173.Xiong Wang

174.Zhao Guangzong

175–184 — Chinese i-Soon / MPS hacker-for-hire defendants

DOJ charged these 10 people in connection with alleged hacking conducted through i-Soon at the direction of Chinese Ministry of Public Security/Ministry of State Security personnel, including targeting U.S. government agencies, journalists, religious organizations and critics of the PRC. Department of Justice

175.Wu Haibo

176.Chen Cheng

177.Wang Zhe

178.Liang Guodong

179.Ma Li

180.Wang Yan

181.Xu Liang

182.Zhou Weiwei

183.Wang Liyu

184.Sheng Jing

185–189 — Chinese PLA cyber-espionage defendants

These five PLA officers were indicted by DOJ for alleged computer hacking, economic espionage, theft of trade secrets and related offenses targeting American companies and a U.S. labor organization. Department of Justice+1

185.Wang Dong

186.Sun Kailiang

187.Wen Xinyu

188.Huang Zhenyu

189.Gu Chunhui

190–192 — Chinese Boyusec hackers

These three Chinese nationals were charged with alleged hacking, trade-secret theft, conspiracy and identity theft targeting U.S. companies. Department of Justice

190.Wu Yingzhuo

191.Dong Hao

192.Xia Lei

193–199 — Russian GRU cyber/influence defendants

These seven Russian nationals were charged by DOJ in connection with alleged GRU hacking operations, including spearphishing, malware, credential theft and attacks against U.S. and foreign targets. Department of Justice

193.Aleksei Sergeyevich Morenets

194.Evgenii Mikhaylovich Serebriakov

195.Ivan Sergeyevich Yermakov

196.Artem Andreyevich Malyshev

197.Dmitriy Sergeyevich Badin

198.Oleg Mikhaylovich Sotnikov

199.Alexey Valerevich Minin

200 — North Korean government hacker

200.**Rim Jong Hyok** — DOJ charged him in connection with alleged North Korean government ransomware attacks against U.S. hospitals and health-care providers, followed by laundering of ransom proceeds and additional hacking against defense, technology and government targets. Department of Justice

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