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CITIZEN OF SPAIN INDICTED FOR FALSE CLAIM OF US CITIZENSHIP

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a citizen of Spain was indicted by a federal grand jury today for making a false claim of United States citizenship on an Employment Eligibility Verification Form and for using a fictitious Social Security number.

Mohammad Huach Al Swais, also known as M. Sammy Al Swais, 30, a citizen of Spain who was born in Kuwait, was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury meeting in Kansas City.

Today's indictment alleges that **Al Swais** falsely represented himself to be a citizen or national of the United States, when in fact he is a citizen and national of Spain. According to the indictment, **Al Swais** used a false attestation on Form I-9, the Employment Eligibility Verification Form. It also charges that **Al Swais** falsely used a social security number not assigned to him.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Sheryle L. Jeans. It was investigated by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Office of Inspector General, Social Security Administration.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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