

United States District Court

Eastern DISTRICT OF Michigan

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Sisayehiticha Dinssa

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

CASE NUMBER: **06-30512**

I, the undersigned complainant, being duly sworn state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. On November 14, 2006 in Wayne County, in the Eastern District of Michigan defendant did:

- 1) knowingly and willfully fail to report the transportation of over \$10,000 in currency or monetary instruments destined to a place in the United States from a place outside of the United States in violation of Title 31 USC 5316 (Failure to Report); and
- 2) knowingly conceal or cause to be concealed more than \$10,000 in currency or monetary instruments while attempting to transport the currency from a place outside of the United States to a place within the United States for the purpose of avoiding the reporting requirements under Title 31 USC 5332 (Bulk Cash Smuggling).

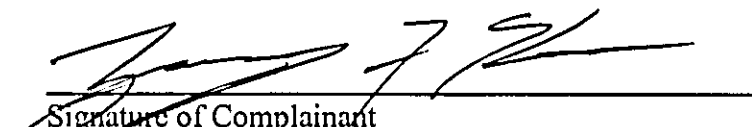
in violation of Title 31 United States Code, Section(s) 5316 and 5332.

I further state that I am an Immigration and Customs Enforcement Special Agent and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

See Attached Affidavit

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Continued on the attached and made a part hereof: Yes No



 Signature of Complainant
 Zachary Keen, Special Agent

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence,

November 15, 2006 at Detroit, Michigan

Date **DONALD A. SCHEER**
U.S. Magistrate Judge

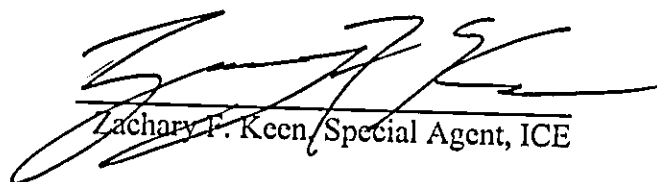
City and State

Name & Title of Judicial Officer



 Signature of Judicial Officer

1. I am a Special Agent with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). I have been employed by ICE since June of 2004. My responsibilities and duties include the investigation and enforcement of laws and regulations including financial violations. I have been trained in the methods used by those individuals who smuggle bulk currency into the United States. The information set forth in this affidavit is based on my personal knowledge and investigation, as well as investigations conducted by fellow law enforcement officers.
2. This affidavit contains only that information which is necessary to establish probable cause. The affidavit does not necessarily contain all of the facts that have been gathered during this investigation.
3. On November 14, 2006, Sisayehiticha DINSSA did, in fact, attempt to enter the United States from Amsterdam aboard Northwest Airlines flight 93 at the Detroit Metropolitan Airport port of entry. U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officers (CBP) referred DINSSA to secondary inspection. During the inspection, inspectors explained the U.S. currency reporting requirements to which DINSSA declared that he was in possession of \$18,000. While in secondary inspection, inspectors found a total of \$78,883 in US currency on the person of DINSSA as well as hidden in his luggage. A narcotics detection dog from the Wayne County Airport Police subsequently performed a search of the money, with the dog alerting to the scent of narcotics on the money. During the inspection, CBP Officers discovered that DINSSA was in possession of a laptop computer, however he did not have a power cord to use the computer. Inspectors found this to be unusual, so they performed a quick preview of DINSSA's laptop as part of their border search. During the preview of the laptop, CBP inspectors discovered some files that had been downloaded with information about cyanide and nuclear materials.
4. ICE agents advised DINSSA of his Miranda rights and he agreed to waive those rights and speak with the agents. During the interview, DINSSA admitted that he lied to the CBP inspectors regarding the money and that DINSSA was aware that it was a violation of U.S. law. When questioned about the materials on his laptop, DINSSA stated that he was "interested" in learning about cyanide and nuclear materials.
5. Based on my training and experience, and the facts set forth above, there is probable cause to believe that Sisayehiticha DINSSA did knowingly and willfully fail to report the transportation of over \$10,000 in currency or monetary instruments destined to a place in the United States from a place outside of the United States in violation of Title 31 USC 5316; and knowingly conceal or cause to be concealed more than \$10,000 in currency or monetary instruments while attempting to transport the currency from a place outside of the United States to a place within the United States for the purpose of avoiding the reporting requirements under Title 31 USC 5332.



Zachary F. Keen, Special Agent, ICE

Sworn to and subscribed before me
This 15th day of November, 2006.



Honorable Donald A. Scheer
U.S. Magistrate Judge