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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

Plaintiff,

Defendant.

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BARUCH FOGEL,

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## INFORMATION

[31 U.S.C. §§ 5314 and 5322(a), 31 C.F.R. §§ 103.24, 103.27(c), and 103.27(d) (relocated to 31 C.F.R. 1010.350(a), 1010.306(c), and 1010.306(d)): Willful Failure to File Reports of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts TD F 90-22.1]

The United States Attorney charges:

[31 U.S.C. §§ 5314 and 5322(a); 31 C.F.R. §§ 103.24, 103.27(c) and (d) (relocated to § 1010.350(a) and §§ 1010.306(c) and (d))]

United States citizens, resident aliens, and legal permanent residents of the United States who have a financial interest in, or signature or other authority over, one or more financial accounts in a foreign country with an aggregate value of more than \$10,000 at any time during a particular calendar year are required to file with the Department of the Treasury a Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts, Form TD F 90-22.1 ("FBAR"). This report is due by June 30 of the following year.

- 2. The FBAR reporting requirement is separate from the obligation of a United States citizen or resident to indicate on a Federal income tax return (Form 1040, Schedule B) whether that individual has an interest in a financial account in a foreign country by checking "Yes" or "No" in the appropriate box. The FBAR is an annual report, filed with the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS").
- 3. During calendar year 2009, defendant BARUCH FOGEL ("FOGEL"), a U.S. citizen and resident of Laguna Beach, California, had an interest in or signature authority over at least one financial account at an Israeli bank, in a Luxembourg branch, having an aggregate value in excess of \$2,500,000, well in excess of the \$10,000 reporting requirement.
- 4. On or about June 30, 2010, within the Central District of California and elsewhere, defendant FOGEL did knowingly and willfully fail to file an FBAR disclosing that he had a financial interest in, and signature and other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country, namely, an account

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held at the Luxembourg branch of an Israeli bank, which account had an aggregate value of more than \$10,000 during the year 2009. STEPHANIE YONEKURA Acting United States Attorney N Mapor ROBERT E. DUGDALE Assistant United States Attorney Chief, Criminal Division SANDRA R. BROWN Chief, Tax Division

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