United States District Court

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIF

VENUE: SAN FRANCISCO

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CR19

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ELLIOTT GUNTON, A/K/A "PLANET," and ANTHONY TYLER NASHATKA, A/K/A "PSYCHO"

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SUSAN Y. SOONG CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT NORTH DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DEFENDANT(S).

INDICTMENT

18 U.S.C. § 1030(b) – Conspiracy to Commit Computer Fraud and Abuse;
18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(5)(A), (c)(4)(B)(i) and (c)(4)(A)(i)(VI) – Transmission of a Program,
Information, Code, and Command to Cause Damage to a Protected Computer;
18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(4) and (c)(3)(A) – Unauthorized Access to a Protected Computer To
Obtain Value;

18 U.S.C. § 1349 – Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud; 18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1) – Aggravated Identity Theft; 18 U.S.C. §§ 982(a)(2)(B) and 1030(i) and (j), and 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) – Forfeiture Allegations

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	3) Is on Bail or Release from (show District) 2019					
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Name and Office of Person Furnishing Information on this form DAVID L. ANDERSO						
☑ U.S. Attorney ☐ Other U.S. Age	ency					
Name of Assistant U.S.	This report amends AO 257 previously submitted					
Attorney (if assigned) Cynthia Frey, AUSA						
PROCESS: ADDITIONAL	INFORMATION OR COMMENTS ————————————————————————————————————					
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If Summons, complete following:	* Where defendant previously apprehended on complaint, no new summons or					
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Comments:						

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Count 1: NORTH & U.S.C. § 1030(b) - Conspiracy to Commit Computer Fraud and Abuse

Maximum Penalties: (1) 10 years imprisonment; (2) Maximum of 3 years of supervised release; (3) \$250,000 fine or twice the gross gain or twice the gross loss; (4) \$100 Special Assessment

Count 2: 18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(5)(A), (c)(4)(B)(i) and (c)(4)(A)(i)(VI) – Transmission of a Program, Information, Code, and Command to Cause Damage to a Protected Computer

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Count 3: 18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(4) and (c)(3)(A) – Unauthorized Access to a Protected Computer To Obtain Value;

Maximum Penalties: (1) 5 years imprisonment; (2) Maximum of 3 years of supervised release; (3) \$250,000 fine or twice the gross gain or twice the gross loss; (4) \$100 Special Assessment

Count 4: 18 U.S.C. § 1349 – Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud

Maximum Penalties: (1) 20 years imprisonment; (2) Maximum of 3 years of supervised release; (3) \$250,000 fine or twice the gross gain or twice the gross loss; (4) \$100 Special Assessment

Count 5: 18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1) – Aggravated Identity Theft

Maximum Penalties: (1) 2 years imprisonment (to run consecutive to any other term imposed); (2) Maximum of 3 years of supervised release; (3) \$250,000 fine or twice the gross gain or twice the gross loss; (4) \$100 Special Assessment

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give name of court	3) S on Bail or Release from (show District)		
this person/proceeding is transferred from another district per (circle one) FRCrp 20, 21, or 40. Show District this is a reprosecution of charges previously dismissed which were dismissed on motion of: U.S. ATTORNEY DEFENSE this prosecution relates to a pending case involving this same defendant MAGISTRATE CASE NO.	6) Awaiting trial on other charges If answer to (6) is "Yes", show name of institution Has detainer Yes If "Yes" give date		
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Name and Office of Person Furnishing Information on this form DAVID L. ANDERSON	DATE TRANSFERRED Month/Day/Year TO U.S. CUSTODY		
□ U.S. Attorney □ Other U.S. Agency			
Name of Assistant U.S. Attorney (if assigned) Cynthia Frey, AUSA	This report amends AO 257 previously submitted		
	ORMATION OR COMMENTS ————————————————————————————————————		
PROCESS: ☐ SUMMONS ☐ NO PROCESS* ☑ WARRANT	Bail Amount: none		
If Summons, complete following:	Home Home		
Arraignment Initial Appearance	* Where defendant previously apprehended on complaint, no new summons or warrant needed, since Magistrate has scheduled arraignment		
Defendant Address:	Date/Time: Before Judge:		
Comments:			





PENALTY SHEET ATTACHMENT ANTHONY TYLER NASHCER 19

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Count 3:

18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(4) and (c)(3)(A) – Unauthorized Access to a Protected Computer To Obtain Value;

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Maximum Penalties: (1) 2 years imprisonment (to run consecutive to any other term imposed); (2) Maximum of 3 years of supervised release; (3) \$250,000 fine or twice the gross gain or twice the gross loss; (4) \$100 Special Assessment

DAVID L. ANDERSON (CABN 149604) 1 United States Attorney 2 3 4 AUG 13 2019 5 SUSAN Y. SOONG 6 CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT NORTH DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION 10 11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CASE NO. 12 Plaintiff, VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 1030(b) – Conspiracy to 13 Commit Computer Fraud and Abuse; 18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(5)(A), (c)(4)(B)(i) and (c)(4)(A)(i)(VI) – 14 Transmission of a Program, Information, Code, and ELLIOTT GUNTON, A/K/A "PLANET," and Command to Cause Damage to a Protected Computer; ANTHONY TYLER NASHATKA, A/K/A 15 18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(4) and (c)(3)(A) – "PSYCHO" Unauthorized Access to a Protected Computer To 16 Obtain Value; 18 U.S.C. § 1349 - Conspiracy to Defendants. 17 Commit Wire Fraud; 18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1) – Aggravated Identity Theft; 18 U.S.C. §§ 982(a)(2)(B) 18 and 1030(i) and (j), and 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) – Forfeiture Allegations 19 20 SAN FRANCISCO VENUE 21 22 INDICTMENT The Grand Jury charges: 23 Background 24 25 At all times relevant to this Indictment: ANTHONY TYLER NASHATKA, a/k/a "psycho" is a resident of New York. 1. 26 ELLIOTT GUNTON, a/k/a "planet" and "Glubz" is a resident of the United Kingdom. 27 2. 28 3. EtherDelta was a digital currency exchange platform based in Chicago, Illinois.

- 4. Cloudflare, Inc. (Cloudflare) is, and was during all relevant times set forth in this Indictment, a company headquartered in San Francisco, California that provided content delivery network services, DDoS mitigation, Internet security and distributed domain name server services. Cloudflare's content delivery network (CDN) provided a system of network servers all over the world, including approximately 38 in the United States alone, and in the Northern District of California, that delivered pages and other Web content to a user, from its servers. The network data centers acted as a repository for website content, providing local users with accelerated access to cached files.
- 5. EtherDelta used Cloudflare's services, including the content delivery network system servers for its cryptocurrency exchange platform.
- 6. The computer servers provided for EtherDelta through Cloudflare were used to facilitate interstate and foreign commerce and communication and constituted "protected computers" as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(e)(2)(B).

COUNT ONE: (18 U.S.C. § 1030(b) – Conspiracy to Commit Computer Fraud and Abuse)

- 7. Paragraphs 1 through 6 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated as if fully set forth here.
- 8. Beginning at a time unknown to the Grand Jury, but no later than on or about December 13, 2017, and continuing through a date unknown, but at least through on or about December 26, 2017, in the Northern District of California, and elsewhere, the defendants,

ANTHONY TYLER NASHATKA, and ELLIOTT GUNTON, and

did knowingly and willfully conspire and agree with each other and with others, to commit computer fraud and abuse, namely, (1) caused the transmission of a program, information, code, and command, and, as a result of such conduct, intentionally caused damage without authorization to a protected computer, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(5)(A), (c)(4)(B)(I) and (c)(4)(A)(i)(VI); and (2) with intent to defraud, accessed a protected computer used in interstate and foreign commerce without authorization and exceeding authorized access, and by means of such conduct furthered the below-described fraud and obtained something of value, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1030(a)(4).

- 9. As part of the conspiracy, the defendants used the Internet to access and modify, without authorization, EtherDelta's Domain Name System¹ setting, which was set to an Internet Protocol address registered to Cloudflare, located in San Francisco, California, as well as EtherDelta's account with Cloudflare, and by means of such conduct defrauded EtherDelta's users to obtain their cryptocurrency addresses and private keys and withdrew funds contained in those cryptocurrency addresses.
- 10. In furtherance of the conspiracy, the defendants used the following manner and means to accomplish the object and purpose of the conspiracy:
 - a. Obtaining personal information of potential victims;
- b. Using fraud, deception, and social engineering techniques to induce
 representatives of cellphone service providers to forward cellphone numbers to Google Voice numbers
 controlled by the conspirators;
- c. Using the victim's cell phone number and deceptive techniques to gain access to email, DNS accounts, and web infrastructure and website security accounts;
- d. Resetting passwords for web infrastructure and website security accounts so that the conspirators could control those accounts;
- e. Resetting the DNS settings for email and for web infrastructure and website security accounts to obtain information from victim users of the EtherDelta exchange;
- f. Using fraud, deception, and social engineering techniques to gain access to the cryptocurrency addresses and private key of hundreds of victim users of the EtherDelta exchange platform; and
- g. Using information obtained from victim users of the EtherDelta exchange platform to access the cryptocurrency addresses and of victims and transfer without authority cryptocurrencies owned by the victims.

¹ The Domain Name System (DNS) is the phonebook of the Internet. People access information online through domain names, like nytimes.com or espn.com. Web browsers interact through Internet Protocol (IP) addresses. DNS translates domain names to IP addresses so browsers can load Internet resources.

Overt Acts

- 11. In furtherance of the conspiracy and to effect its objects, on or about the dates listed below, in the Northern District of California and elsewhere, NASHATKA and GUNTON, and others, committed the following overt acts, among others:
- a. On or about December 13, 2017, NASHATKA purchased identifying information regarding Z.C. with payment made in Bitcoin and NASHATKA received an email confirming the purchase on that date.
- b. On or about December 13, 2017, NASHATKA sent GUNTON the phone number and email address for Z.C. and the two discussed taking EtherDelta, and getting into EtherDelta's Dreamhost and Cloudflare accounts to change the servers.
- c. On or about December 19, 2017, GUNTON convinced a support operator at the service provider for Z.C.'s cellphone, without Z.C.'s permission, to attach a call forwarding number to his account, such that the calls would be forwarded to a Google Voice number controlled by GUNTON and NASHATKA, and allowing them to use the two-factor authentication necessary to access EtherDelta's accounts.
- d. On or about December 20, 2017, NASHATKA and GUNTON gained unauthorized access to the DNS setting for Z.C.'s email account and disabled the DNS setting to Gmail and redirected the DNS setting to an IP address that is registered to a company in the United Kingdom. This allowed the conspirators to conceal any emails that may be sent to Z.C. regarding account intrusions.
- e. On or about December 20, 2017, NASHATKA and GUNTON gained unauthorized access to EtherDelta's Cloudflare account, and reset the password, ensuring that Z.C. would not be able to access the Cloudflare account.
- f. On or about December 20, 2017, NASHATKA and GUNTON gained unauthorized access to the DNS setting for EtherDelta's Cloudflare account and disabled the setting from an Internet Protocol address registered to Cloudflare and assigned to EtherDelta, and altered it to redirect the DNS setting to an Internet Protocol address that contained a fake website resembling the true EtherDelta platform. During this time, the access to Cloudflare's servers for EtherDelta, including INDICTMENT

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1	All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.						
2	COUNT FIVE: (18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1) - Aggravated Identity Theft)						
3	18. Paragraphs 1 through 17 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated as if fully set						
4	forth here.						
5	19. Between on or about December 13 and 21, 2017, in the Northern District of California						
6	and elsewhere, the defendants,						
7	ANTHONY TYLER NASHATKA, and ELLIOTT GUNTON,						
9	during and in relation to the crime of Conspiracy to Commit Computer Fraud and Abuse, in violation of						
10	18 U.S.C. § 1030(b); Transmission of a Program, Information, Code, and Command to Cause Damage						
11	to a Protected Computer, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(5)(A), (c)(4)(B)(i) and (c)(4)(A)(i)(VI);						
12	Computer Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1030(a)(4); and Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud, in						
13	violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1349, did knowingly transfer, possess, and use, without lawful authority the						
14	means of identification of another person, to wit, the name, address, telephone number, and email						
15	address of Z.C.						
16	All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1028A(a)(1).						
17	COMPUTER FRAUD FORFEITURE ALLEGATION: (18 U.S.C. §§ 982(a)(2)(B) and 1030(i) and (j))						
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19	20. The allegations contained in this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference						
20	for the purpose of alleging forfeiture pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(a)(2)(b) and						
21	1030(i) and (j).						
22	21. Upon conviction for the offenses set forth in Counts One through Three in violation of						
23	Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030, set forth in this Indictment, the defendants,						
24	ANTHONY TYLER NASHATKA, and ELLIOTT GUNTON,						
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26	shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(a)(2)(b) and						
27	1030(i) and (j), any personal property used or intended to be used to commit or to facilitate the						
28	commission of said violation or a conspiracy to violate said provision, and any property, real or						
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1	personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the offenses, including, but not						
2	limited to, a sum of money equal to the total amount of proceeds defendant obtained or derived, directly						
3	or indirectly, from the violation, or the value of the property used to commit or to facilitate the						
4	commission of said violation.						
5	20. If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:						
6	a. cannot be located upon exercise of due diligence;						
7	b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;						
8	c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;						
9	d. has been substantially diminished in value; or						
10	e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without						
11	difficulty,						
12	the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21,						
13	United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(i)(2).						
14	All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(a)(2)(B) and 1030, and Federal Rule						
15	of Criminal Procedure 32.2.						
16	WIRE FRAUD FORFEITURE ALLEGATION: (18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c)						
17	21. The allegations contained in this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference						
18	for the purpose of alleging forfeiture pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and						
19	Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).						
20	22. Upon conviction for the offense set forth in Count Four of this Indictment, the						
21	defendants,						
22	ANTHONY TYLER NASHATKA, and ELLIOTT GUNTON,						
23	ELLIOTT GONTON,						
24	shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and						
25	Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), all property, real or personal, constituting, or derived						
26	from proceeds the defendant obtained directly and indirectly, as the result of those violations.						
27	23. If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:						
28	a. cannot be located upon exercise of due diligence;						
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7	United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).							
8	All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), Title 28, United States Code,							
9	Section 2461(c), and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.2.							
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CRIMINAL COVER SHEET

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<u>Instructions</u>: Effective November 1, 2016, this Criminal Cover Sheet must be completed and submitted, along with the Defendant Information Form, for each new criminal case.

CASE NAME:		Case No	0379	
USA~V.~ ELLIOTT GUNTON, A/K/A "PLANET," and ANTHONY TYLER NASHATI	KA, A/K/A "PSYCHO" CR			
Is This Case Under Seal?	Yes ✓	No		
Total Number of Defendants:	1	2-7 ✓	8 or more	
Does this case involve ONLY charges under 8 U.S.C. § 1325 and/or 1326?	Yes	No ✓		
Venue (Per Crim. L.R. 18-1):	SF 🗸	OAK	SJ	
Is this a potential high-cost case?	Yes	No 🗸		
Is any defendant charged with a death-penalty-eligible crime?	Yes	No 🗸		
Is this a RICO Act gang case?	Yes	No 🗸		
Assigned AUSA (Lead Attorney): CYNTHIA FREY, A	USA	Date Subn	nitted: 8-13	-19

Comments: