MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Subject: ORGANIZED SCHEME TO DEFRAUD

The Miami Police Department's Felony Apprehension Team arrested a Subject (Ana Maria Nunez, DOB 10/06/1956), who has been charged with Grand Theft 1st Degree/\$100K and Organized Scheme to Defraud.

Financial Crimes Unit Detectives were investigating a case from April and May of 2022 in which the victim was schemed out of \$105,000 by Ana Maria Nunez. On April 1, 2022, Mrs. Nunez was introduced to the victim by an employee who worked at his barber shop. Mrs. Nunez explained an opportunity to make a 100% profit by putting money into an investment into satellites to China. The victim was interested by what he was told, and he submitted 2 separate wire-transfers of \$50,000 each to a fake company called ATP Enterprise and Investment which Mrs. Nunez told him to send it to. About a month later Mrs. Nunez asked for an additional \$5,000 to begin the investment. The victim handed her a check in that amount.

Shortly thereafter Mrs. Nunez stopped all forms of communication with the victim.

On June 28, 2022, a television news report was aired in which Ana Maria Nunez was arrested for another fraud case. The victim saw the report and identified her as the same person who defrauded him. On yesterday's date, July 31, 2024, we arrested Mrs. Nunez and charged her accordingly.

Detectives believe that there may be additional victims who have fallen prey to similar scams orchestrated by Mrs. Nunez. The Miami Police Department urges anyone who may have had dealings with her, or who may have additional information related to other cases, to come forward.

We encourage anyone who believes they have been victimized by Ana Maria Nunez to contact the Miami Police Department's Financial Crimes Unit at (305) 603-6280.

See the attached redacted Arrest Affidavit for more information.

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Miami Police Department's Financial Crimes Unit at (305) 603-6280. Those with information that wish to remain anonymous can contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (4877), visit www.crimestoppersmiami.com and select "Give a Tip" or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by the tip information and press send.

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