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12	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA	
14	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	Case No. 2:21-MJ-00061-EJY
15	Plaintiff, v.	SEALED COMPLAINT for violation of: Title 18, United States Code, Section
16	JORGE ABRAMOVS,	1344(2) - Bank Fraud.
17 18	Defendant.	
19	Before the Honorable Elayna J. Youchah, United States Magistrate Judge, Las	
20	Vegas, Nevada, the undersigned being first duly sworn states:	
21	COUNT ONE	
22	Bank Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1344(2))	
23	On or about May 21, 2020, in the State and Federal District of Nevada,	
24	JORGE ABRAMOVS,	

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defendant herein, knowingly executed and attempted to execute a scheme and artifice to obtain the moneys, funds, credits, assets, securities, and property owned by and under the custody and control of Bank 2 d/b/a, a financial institution, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, to wit: ABRAMOVS caused the disbursement of a \$136,200 Paycheck Protection Program loan to the Bank 2 d/b/a Bank 3 account ending in 5936 held in the name of National Legal Advisors In Care Corp., in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1344(2).

PROBABLE CAUSE

Complainant, Robert Scott, Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI"), states the following as and for probable cause.

- 1. I make this statement in support of a criminal complaint charging JORGE ABRAMOVS with violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 1344(2) (Bank Fraud).
- 2. I am a Special Agent ("SA") of the FBI and have been so employed since September of 2017. As an FBI Special Agent, I am assigned to the FBI Las Vegas Division's Economic Crimes Unit, and am responsible for investigating a variety of the the following violations: Money Laundering, White Collar Crimes, and Health Care Fraud. Prior to my appointment as a Special Agent of the FBI, I supported a variety of criminal investigations for approximately two years for the FBI. In order to become a Special Agent, I underwent 22 weeks of training at the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA. At the FBI Academy I was trained to investigate violations of the laws of the United States, to collect evidence in cases in which the United States is or may be a party in interest, and to perform other duties imposed by law. I am familiar with, and have participated in, the normal methods of investigation, including, but not limited to: visual and video surveillance, interviewing witnesses, interrogations, executing search and arrest warrants, the use of

consensually-monitored video and audio recordings, and debriefing of informants and cooperating witnesses. As part of my training and experience, I have participated in and written warrants and affidavits for searches and seizures.

- 3. I respectfully submit that this Affidavit establishes probable cause in support of the issuance of a Criminal Complaint and arrest warrant for JORGE ABRAMOVS ("ABRAMOVS") for Bank Fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1344(2). The information contained herein is based, on among other things, my review of records and documents obtained during the course of this investigation, information conveyed by other FBI SAs and other employees or agents of the FBI, personnel from the United States Small Business Administration, witnesses, and my experience and background as an FBI SA.
- 4. This Affidavit is submitted solely to establish probable cause in support of this Criminal Complaint and arrest warrant; it does not contain all information known to me regarding this matter.

Paycheck Protection Program

- 5. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act is a federal law enacted in or around March 2020 and designed to provide emergency financial assistance to the millions of Americans who are suffering the economic effects caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. One source of relief provided by the CARES Act was the authorization of up to \$349 billion in forgivable loans to small businesses for job retention and certain other expenses, through a program referred to as the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP").
- 6. In order to obtain a PPP loan, a qualifying business submitted a PPP loan application, which was signed by an authorized representative of the business. The PPP loan application required the business (through its authorized representative) to

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acknowledge the program rules and make certain affirmative certifications in order to be eligible to obtain the PPP loan. In the PPP loan application, the small business (through its authorized representative) stated, among other things, its: (a) average monthly payroll expenses; and (b) number of employees. These figures are used to calculate the amount of money the small business is eligible to receive under the PPP. In addition, businesses applying for a PPP loan were required to provide documentation showing their payroll expenses.

- 7. A PPP loan application was processed by a participating lender, such as a financial institution. If a PPP loan application was approved, the participating lender funded the PPP loan using its own monies. While the lender issued the PPP loan, the Small Business Administration ("SBA") provided a guarantee to the lender for the PPP loan. Data from the application, including information about the borrower, the total amount of the loan, and the listed number of employees, was transmitted by the lender to the SBA in the course of processing the loan.
- 8. PPP loan proceeds were required to be used by the business on certain permissible expenses—payroll costs, interest on mortgages, rent, and utilities. The PPP allowed the interest and principal on the PPP loan to be entirely forgiven if the business spends the loan proceeds on these expense items within a designated period of time and uses a certain percentage of the PPP loan proceeds on payroll expenses.

The Fraudulent Scheme

As detailed below, from approximately April 2020 until at least June 2020,
 ABRAMOVS perpetrated a scheme to defraud at least seven financial institutions,

¹ The maximum allowable PPP loan amount was calculated by taking the company's average monthly payroll and multiplying that figure by 2.5.

identified herein as Credit Union 1, Bank 1, Bank 2 d/b/a/ Bank 3, Bank 4, Bank 5, Bank 6, and Bank 7. The seven financial institutions are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or the National Credit Union Administration ("NCUA"). The specific execution of this scheme charged in Count One of this Complaint is described in Paragraph 18(c). The other executions of this scheme described below further evidence ABRAMOVS' intent to defraud.

- applications for PPP loans, in which ABRAMOVS misrepresented the number of employees and the amount of revenue and payroll his companies had. ABRAMOVS submitted false PPP loan applications for entities named National Investment Group Corporation ("NIGC") (at least six applications, as described in paragraphs 16-17 below); National Legal Advisors In Care Of, or National Legal Advisors ("NLA") (at least five applications, as described in paragraphs 18-19 below); and National Investment Group (one application, as described in paragraphs 20-21 below).
- 11. The Nevada Secretary of State's website contains business entity information for what appear to be NIGC and National Legal Advisors in Care Of. This information shows the same address for these two entities on W. Lake Mead Boulevard in Las Vegas at the time of the applications. The NIGC's address was later updated to an address on S. Fort Apache Road in Las Vegas in October 2020. Each of the 12 applications below listed variations of this S. Fort Apache Road address as the business address for the applying entity.
- 12. Investigators conducted surveillance of the S. Fort Apache Road address in or around autumn of 2020. This address appeared to be a commercial storefront.

 Investigators observed an individual similar in appearance to ABRAMOVS (based on his

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driver's license photo and that approximately two of the vehicles this person drove were registered to Abramovs). Investigators also observed approximately two other individuals who might have been employees at this storefront during business hours (as well as several individuals who appeared to be working as cleaners in the space).

- 13. As a result of this scheme, ABRAMOVS fraudulently obtained approximately \$1,986,737.46 in PPP loan proceeds.
- 14. On each loan application, ABRAMOVS certified that during the period beginning on February 15, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2020, the Applicant had not and would not receive another loan under the PPP. Instead, ABRAMOVS received at least six loans in the name of NIGC and at least five loans in the name of NLA.
- 15. On each loan application, ABRAMOVS certified that he would use the loan proceeds for approved purposes under the PPP loan program, including payroll, rent and utilities. Instead, financial analysis shows that ABRAMOVS spent the money on purchases of luxury items for himself, including the purchase of a 2020 Bentley, a 2020 Tesla, and two condominiums located in Veer Towers in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Misrepresentations on PPP Applications

16. Between approximately April 16, 2020 and June 2, 2020, ABRAMOVS submitted at least six applications for PPP loans for NIGC. During the same time frame, ABRAMOVS was listed as the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Director of this entity according to the Nevada Secretary of State's website.² ABRAMOVS signed each of the loan applications as the authorized representative of NIGC. On each loan application, ABRAMOVS certified that the "funds will be used to retain workers and maintain payroll

² On October 14, 2020, the information was updated to list ABRAMOVS as the President, and Individual 1 as the Secretary and Treasurer.

or make mortgage interest payments, lease payments, and utility payments, as specified under the Paycheck Protection Program Rule; I understand that if the funds are knowingly used for unauthorized purposes, the federal government may hold me legally liable, such as for charges of fraud."

a. On or about April 16, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan application that was submitted to Bank 5 for NIGC. In the loan application, ABRAMOVS listed the EIN of NIGC as xx-xxx5605, which is actually associated with an entity not named NIGC. ABRAMOVS stated that NIGC had 16 employees, and an average monthly payroll of \$53,865. On May 4, 2020, a PPP loan of \$134,600 was disbursed to NIGC and deposited in Bank 5 account ending in 1506.³

b. On or about April 29, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan application that was submitted to Credit Union 1 on behalf of NIGC. On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xx-xxx7928, which is the actual EIN associated with NIGC. ABRAMOVS claimed NIGC had 18 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$64,797. On May 19, 2020, loan proceeds of \$161,749 were disbursed to Credit Union 1 account ending in 5746.⁴

companies, except for National Legal Advisors, which contains the same address but no suite number.

³ On April 27, 2020, ABRAMOVS opened Bank 5 account 1506 in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the name of "National Investments [sic] Group Corporation" (NIGC), EIN xx-xxx5605. ABRAMOVS was the sole signer for the account. The address on the account for NIGC is the S. Fort Apache Road address.

²¹ April 30, 2020, ABRAMOVS opened Credit Union 1 account 5746 in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the name of NIGC, EIN xx-xxx7928. ABRAMOVS was the sole signer for the account. Records provided by Credit Union 1 also reflect "Business and Owner Information" records for National Legal Advisors In Care Of (EIN xx xxxx0157), and

Information" records for National Legal Advisors In Care Of (EIN xx-xxx9157), and National Legal Advisors (EIN xx-xxx6095), which appear to share Credit Union 1 account 5746. Credit Union 1 records show the S. Fort Apache Road address for all three

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On or about May 8, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP Borrower C. Application Form that was submitted to Bank 7 using the entity name of NIGC. On the application, ABRAMOVS used Entity EIN/TIN number xx-xxx7276, which is actually associated with National Legal Advisors. ABRAMOVS claimed NIGC had 17 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$59,101. On May 11, 2020, loan proceeds of \$147,751 were disbursed to Bank 7 account ending in 9740.5

On or about May 22, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan d. application that was submitted to Bank 2, which operates in Nevada under the name of Bank 3, using the entity name of NIGC. On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xx-xxx4968. On May 20, 2020, EIN xx-xxx4968 was established for NIGC. ABRAMOVS claimed NIGC had 49 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$55,235. On May 26, 2020, loan proceeds of \$138,000 were disbursed to Bank 3 account ending in 9103.6

On or about May 25, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan e. application that was submitted to Bank 1 using the entity name of NIGC. On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xx-xxx2701. On May 25, 2020, EIN number xx-xxx2701 was established for an entity not named NIGC. ABRAMOVS claimed

⁵ On January 6, 2020, ABRAMOVS opened account 9740 in the name of NIGC, EIN xxxxx7928. ABRAMOVS was the sole signer for the account. The address for the account was listed as the S. Fort Apache Road address.

⁶ On May 21, 2020, ABRAMOVS opened account 9103 in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the name of NIGC, EIN xx-xxx4968. ABRAMOVS was the sole signer for the account. The address for the account was listed as the S. Fort Apache Road address.

NIGC had 35 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$37,361.27. On May 29, 2020, loan proceeds of \$93,403.16 were disbursed to Bank 1 account ending in 4132.

- f. On or about June 2, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan application that was submitted to Bank 6 using the entity name of NIGC. On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xx-xxx2661, which was established for an entity not named NIGC on May 25, 2020. ABRAMOVS claimed NIGC had 35 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$79,710.42. On June 4, 2020, loan proceeds of \$199,276.04 were disbursed to Bank 6 account ending in 9813.8
- 17. There is reason to believe each of the loan applications in paragraph 16 contained false statements and misrepresentations:
- a. ABRAMOVS listed a different EIN/TIN for NIGC for each of the applications. Five of the EINs are associated with entities other than NIGC, and three of the EINs were obtained on the same day or within days of the loan application being signed. Furthermore, IRS filing records show that as of August 28, 2020, the IRS has not received any filed tax returns for any of the EIN/TIN numbers listed by NIGC in the applications.
- b. In each of the loan applications, ABRAMOVS listed a different amount of average monthly payroll. In all but two of the loan applications, ABRAMOVS

⁷ On May 26, 2020, ABRAMOVS opened account 4132 in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the name of NIGC, EIN xx-xxx2701. ABRAMOVS was the sole signer for the account. The address for NIGC was listed as the S. Fort Apache Road address.

⁸ On June 4, 2020, ABRAMOVS opened account 9813, in the name of NIGC, EIN xx-xxx2661. Linked account ending in 7577 was opened at the same time. ABRAMOVS is the sole signer for the accounts. The address for the accounts was listed as the S. Fort Apache Road address.

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listed a different number of employees, further indications that ABRAMOVS provided false information on the applications.

- Employers who pay more than \$225 of payroll in any quarter for C. employees in Nevada are required by Nevada law to pay for unemployment insurance with the State. In August 2020, a query to the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation ("DETR") showed that DETR had no records of any payments for unemployment insurance made by NIGC.
- đ. The first PPP loan NIGC received was disbursed on May 4, 2020. After that date, ABRAMOVS falsely certified on four separate applications that NIGC had not received a PPP loan.
- 18. Between approximately May 10, 2020 and June 5, 2020, ABRAMOVS submitted at least five additional applications for PPP loans on behalf of National Legal Advisors In Care Of ("NLA"). ABRAMOVS is listed as the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Director of this entity according to the Nevada Secretary of State's website. ABRAMOVS signed each of the loan applications as the authorized representative. On each loan application, ABRAMOVS certified that the "funds will be used to retain workers and maintain payroll or make mortgage interest payments, lease payments, and utility payments, as specified under the Paycheck Protection Program Rule; I understand that if the funds are knowingly used for unauthorized purposes, the federal government may hold me legally liable, such as for charges of fraud."
- On or about May 10, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan a. application that was submitted to Credit Union 1 using the entity name of NLA. On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xx-xxx9157, which is in fact associated with an entity not named NLA. ABRAMOVS claimed NLA had 19 employees and an

average monthly payroll of \$58,383.25. On May 20, 2020, loan proceeds were disbursed to Credit Union 1 account 5746 for \$145,957.9

- b. On or about May 10, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan application that was submitted to Bank 1 using the entity name of NLA. On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xx-xxx3813, which was established for National Legal Advisors InCare on May 15, 2020. ABRAMOVS claimed NLA had 19 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$86,250. On May 20, 2020, loan proceeds of \$215,625 were disbursed to a Bank 1 account ending in 3765. 10
- application that was submitted to Bank 2 using the entity name of NLA. This is the execution of ABRAMOVS's scheme that is charged in Count One of the Complaint. On the application, ABRAMOVS used Entity EIN/TIN number xx-xxx7955, which was established for National Legal Advisors In Care on May 13, 2020, approximately 8 days before ABRAMOVS signed the loan application. ABRAMOVS claimed in the PPP loan application that NLA had 77 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$54,482. In support of the listed payroll, ABRAMOVS provided (among other documents) a purported IRS Form 941 for Q1 2020 for National Legal Advisors In Care Of, EIN xx-xxx7955. (IRS Form 941 is a quarterly federal tax filing on which companies identify the number of employees who received wages, tips, or other compensation for that quarter as well as the amount of federal income taxes withheld, and other information.) However, investigators subsequently determined that no Form 941 had in fact been filed with the IRS by this EIN

⁹ ABRAMOVS was the sole signer for the account. See supra, n.4.

¹⁰ On May 15, 2020 ABRAMOVS opened account 3765 in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the name of National Legal Advisors In Care, EIN xx-xxx3813. ABRAMOVS is the sole signer for the account. The address for the account was listed as the S. Fort Apache Road address.

for any of tax years 2018, 2019, or Q1 2020, indicating that the Form 941 ABRAMOVS submitted was forged. On May 22, 2020, loan proceeds were disbursed to a Bank 3 account ending in 5936, located within the State and Federal District of Nevada, for \$136,200.¹¹

- d. On or about June 1, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan application that was submitted to Credit Union 1 using the entity name of NLA. On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xx-xxx6095, which was established for an entity not named NLA on June 1, 2020. He claimed NLA had 31 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$86,250. On June 15, 2020, loan proceeds were disbursed to Credit Union 1 account 5746 for \$215,624.¹²
- e. On or about June 5, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed an application to Bank 4 using the entity name of NLA. On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xx-xxx1317, which was established for an entity not named NLA on June 1, 2020. ABRAMOVS claimed NLA had 35 employees and an average monthly payroll of \$79,710. The loan proceeds were disbursed via cashier's check in the amount of \$199,276.23. On June 9, 2002, the cashier's check was deposited in full to a Bank 7 account ending in 9732.¹³
- 19. There is reason to believe that each of the loan applications in paragraph 18 contained false statements and misrepresentations:

¹¹ On May 19, 2020, ABRAMOVS opened account 5936 in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the name of National Legal Advisors in Care Corp, EIN xx-xxx7955. ABRAMOVS is the sole signer for the account. The address for the account was listed as the S. Fort Apache Road address. ¹² ABRAMOVS was the sole signer for the account. *See supra*, n.4.

¹³ On January 6, 2020, ABRAMOVS opened account 9732 in the name of NIGC, EIN xx-xxx7928. The bank statements for the account are sent to NIGC dba National Legal Advisors. ABRAMOVS is the sole signer for the account. The address for the account was listed as the S. Fort Apache Road address.

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- ABRAMOVS used a different EIN number for each of the a. applications, despite the fact that they all purport to be on behalf of the same entity. All of the EINs are associated with different entities, and four of the five EINs used were created on or around the time that the loan application was signed. As of August 28, 2020, the IRS had received no filed tax returns for the any of the EIN/TIN numbers associated with NLA.
- b. In each of the loan applications, ABRAMOVS listed a different amount of average monthly payroll. In all but two of the loan applications, he listed a different number of employees, further indications that he provided false information on the applications.
- c. In August 2020, a query to DETR showed that DETR had no records of any payments for unemployment insurance made by NLA.
- đ. The first PPP loan NLA received was disbursed on May 20, 2020. After that date, ABRAMOVS falsely certified on three separate applications that NLA had not received a PPP loan.
- On or about June 15, 2020, ABRAMOVS signed a PPP loan application to 20. Bank 4 using the entity name of National Investment Group. On the loan application, ABRAMOVS certified that the "funds will be used to retain workers and maintain payroll or make mortgage interest payments, lease payments, and utility payments, as specified under the Paycheck Protection Program Rule; I understand that if the funds are knowingly used for unauthorized purposes, the federal government may hold me legally liable, such as for charges of fraud." On the application, ABRAMOVS used EIN/TIN number xxxxx7848, which is associated with an entity not named National Investment Group and was created on June 11, 2020. He claimed National Investment Group had 41 employees

and an average monthly payroll of \$79,710. On June 17, 2020, loan proceeds were disbursed as a cashier's check for \$199,276.03, which was deposited into Bank 4 account ending in 9861 the same day.¹⁴

- There is reason to believe that in the application for the loan in paragraph 20, 21. ABRAMOVS made the following misrepresentations:
- ABRAMOVS stated that the EIN number for National Investment a. Group is xx-xxx7848. However, that EIN number was established for an entity with a different name on June 11, 2020, and is not associated with National Investment Group. As of August 28, 2020, the IRS had received no filed tax returns for the EIN/TIN number listed on the application.
- b. ABRAMOVS falsely stated National Investment Group employed 41 people. A query to the DETR showed that DETR had no records of any payments for unemployment insurance made by National Investment Group.

Use of PPP Loan Proceeds

- 22. As described below, ABRAMOVS used proceeds of the alleged scheme and artifice to purchase luxury items for himself, including a 2020 Bentley, a 2020 Tesla, and two condominiums located in Veer Towers in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Proceeds from the PPP loans were disbursed into various bank accounts, and 23. then the majority were transferred into an account at Bank 7 ending in 9732. This account was opened on January 6, 2020 by ABRAMOVS in the name of NIGC, EIN xx-xxx7928. The bank statements for the account are sent to NIGC dba National Legal Advisors.

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²³ ¹⁴ On June 12, 2002, ABRAMOVS opened account 9861 in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the name of National Investment Group, EIN xx-xxx7848. ABRAMOVS was the sole signer/owner 24 for the account. The address for the account was listed as the S. Fort Apache Road address.

ABRAMOVS is the sole signer for the account. Analysis of account activity was performed by investigators to identify and trace fraud proceeds into and out of the account.

24. On January 6, 2020, ABRAMOVS also opened an account at Bank 7 ending in 9740 in the name of NIGC, EIN xx-xxx7928. ABRAMOVS was the sole signer for the account. Analysis of account activity was performed to identify and trace the fraud proceeds into and out of the account.

2020 Bentley Continental GT

- 25. On June 3, 2020, ABRAMOVS purchased a a 2020 Bentley Continental GT Convertible for \$240,190. The final purchase price of the vehicle was \$260,982.49 with taxes and fees. ABRAMOVS paid for the vehicle, in large part, with funds from a June 1, 2020 wire transfer in the amount of \$251,024.21 from NIGC Bank 7 account 9732. Analysis of this account revelaed that this \$251,024.21 wire consisted solely of PPP loan proceeds.
- 26. On June 26, 2020, the title for this Bentley was issued to Jorge E. Abramovs. The vehicle was registered to ABRAMOVS at an address in Las Vegas, Nevada which was owned by ABRAMOVS at the time.

2020 Tesla Model 3

27. On June 18, 2020 (although a few of the records reflect a June 17, 2020 purchase agreement date), ABRAMOVS purchased a 2020 Tesla Model 3 for \$45,289.92. ABRAMOVS "traded in" a leased Tesla with an outstanding lease balance of \$69,985.08. The trade-in was credited with a "trade-in value" of \$60,400, leaving a "net trade-in value" of -\$9,585.08, which was added to the purchase price. The final cost of the purchase, after taxes and the lease buy-out, was \$54,904.25. Tesla records show that a \$100 reservation deposit, described as a "CC" payment, was received on May 30, 2020, and an "echeck" in

the amount of \$54,804.25 was received on June 18, 2020, completing the amount due of \$54,904.25.

- 28. On June 29, 2020, an electronic withdrawal to Tesla was debited from the Bank 7 account 9732 in the amount of \$54,804.25. Financial analysis found that approximately 80% of this electronic withdrawal consisted of PPP loan funds.
- 29. On July 9, 2020, the title for the vehicle was issued to Jorge E. Abramovs and is registered to ABRAMOVS at his former address in Las Vegas, Nevada, a property owned by ABRAMOVS.

First Condominimum Purchase at the Veer Towers

- 30. In May 2020, ABRAMOVS purchased a condominium at the Veer Towers in Las Vegas, Nevada. Online records of the Clark County Recorder's Office show a deed for this property recorded on May 29, 2020, granting ownership of the property to U.S. Commercial Real Estate Investment Group (U.S. Commercial), a Nevada Limited Liability Company (LLC), for \$225,000. Online records of the Nevada Secretary of State's Office show that the registered name for U.S. Commercial is listed as U.S. Commercial Real State [sic] Investment Group, LLC. That company is an active Nevada LLC formed on May 19, 2020. The sole Managing Member of the company is ABRAMOVS.
- 31. Records obtained from Lawyers Title of Nevada ("Lawyers"), the escrow agent for the purchase of this unit, show the property was purchased in the name of U.S. Commercial Real Estate Investment Group for \$225,000. Lawyers records include a copy of the Nevada Secretary of State's Office filing documents for U.S. Commercial Real State [sic] Investment Group as noted above, although the Lawyers records for the purchase use "Estate" rather than "State" throughout the escrow file. The records show a deposit/earnest money payment of \$3,000 made on May 20, 2020. The Lawyers receipt

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shows the payment received from National Legal Advisors by way of Bank 7 account 9732, by check. The handwritten memo on the check was "Veer tower [unit number] – Jorge Abramovs." Veer Towers is the name of the structure that houses the condominimum.

After the addition of fees and expenses, the "Funds to Close" totaled \$222,638.59. Lawyers records show that final payment received on May 29, 2020, via a wire transfer from NIGC Bank 7 account 9732 in the amount of \$222,638.59.

32. Bank 7 account 9732 records show that on May 21, 2020, check # 2027 payable to Lawyers Title in the amount of \$3,000 cleared the account. Bank 7 account 9732 records show a wire debit to Lawyers Title of Nevada in the amount of \$222,638.59 on May 29, 2020. Financial analysis found that of the \$225,638.59 spent to purchase this condominium, approximately 80% constituted criminal proceeds from Abramov's PPP loan fraud scheme.

Second Condominium Purchase at the Veer Towers

- 33. In June 2020, ABRAMOVS purchased a second condominium at the Veer Towers in Las Vegas, Nevada. Online records of the Clark County Recorder's Office show a deed recorded on June 10, 2020, granting ownership of the property to U.S. Commercial Real Estate Investment Group (U.S. Commercial), a Nevada Limited Liability Company (LLC), for \$412,000. Online records of the Nevada Secretary of State's Office show that the registered name for U.S. Commercial is listed as U.S. Commercial Real State [sic] Investment Group, LLC. That company is an active Nevada LLC formed on May 19, 2020. The sole Managing Member of the company is Jorge Abramovs.
- 34. Records obtained from Lawyers, the escrow agent for the purchase of this unit, show the property was purchased in the name of U.S. Commercial Real Estate Investment Group for \$412,000. Lawyers records include a copy of the Nevada Secretary

of State's Office filing documents for U.S. Commercial Real State [sic] Investment Group as noted above, although the Lawyers records for the purchase use "Estate" rather than "State" throughout the escrow file. The records show a deposit/earnest money payment of \$10,000 made on June 2, 2020. The payment was from NIGC/NLA [Bank 7 account] 9732, by check. The handwritten memo on the check references the unit number for this condominium. After the addition of fees and expenses, the "Funds to Close" totaled \$403,906.29. Lawyers records show that final payment received on June 9, 2020, via a wire transfer from NIGC Bank 7 account 9740 in the amount of \$403,906.29.

35. Financial analysis found that ABRAMOVS paid for this second condiminium with approximately \$9,699.29 in PPP loan fraud proceeds from Bank 7 account 9732 and approximately \$400,840.76 in PPP loan proceeds from Bank 7 account 9740, for a total of approximately \$410,540.05. In total, ABRAMOVS paid approximately \$413,906.29 for the purchase of this second condominium. Of that \$410,540.05, approximately 99%, constituted criminal proceeds from ABRAMOVS's PPP loan fraud scheme.

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CONCLUSION 36. Based upon the foregoing, there is probable cause to believe that ABRAMOVS violated Title 18, United States Code, Section 1344(2) (Bank Fraud). Respectfully submitted, Robert Scott, Special Agent Federal Bureau of Investigation Attested to by the applicant in accordance with the requirements of Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1 by telephone on this ___15th day of January, 2021. UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE