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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon.

v.

Crim. No. 14-CR- 110 (FSH)

: 18 U.S.C. § 1951(a)

KOFI EDWARDS : 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(i)(A)(ii)

: 18 U.S.C. § 2

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury in and for the District of New Jersey, sitting at Newark, charges:

(Hobbs Act Conspiracy)

- 1. At all times relevant to this Indictment, the Chris Michaels Steakhouse was engaged in business as a restaurant and lounge that sold food and beverages that moved in and affected interstate commerce, and that engaged in an industry that affects interstate commerce.
- From on or about March 16, 2009 through on or about March 17, 2009, in Middlesex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, defendant

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did knowingly and willfully conspire and agree with others to obstruct, delay, and affect commerce and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce by robbery, and to commit and threaten physical violence to persons and property in

furtherance of a plan and purpose to obstruct, delay, and affect commerce and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce by robbery.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951(a).

COUNT TWO (Hobbs Act Robbery)

- 1. At all times relevant to this Indictment, the Chris Michaels Steakhouse was engaged in business as a restaurant and lounge that sold food and beverages that moved in and affected interstate commerce, and that engaged in an industry that affects interstate commerce.
- 2. On or about March 17, 2009, in Middlesex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, defendant

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did knowingly and willfully obstruct, delay, and affect, and attempt to obstruct, delay, and affect, commerce, as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, and the movement of articles and commodities in such commerce, by robbery, as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, in that the defendant did unlawfully take and obtain personal property consisting of United States currency from the persons of and in the presence of employees of the Chris Michaels Steakhouse, against their will by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future, to their persons and property in their custody.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951(a) and Section 2.

COUNT THREE

(Use of a Firearm During a Crime of Violence)

On or about March 17, 2009, in Middlesex County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, defendant

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during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, namely, the Hobbs Act robbery conspiracy and the Hobbs Act robbery charged in Counts One and Two of this Indictment, did knowingly use, carry, and, in furtherance of such crime, possess a firearm, which was brandished, and did aid and abet the same.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c)(1)(A)(ii) and Section 2.

A TRUE BILL

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