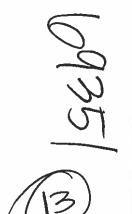
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

RETURN TO SEARCH WARRANT

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and seized the items* ☐ described in the attached and incorporated inventory. ☐ described below:
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Ownership, subscriber information and who controls the device;
Any digital photos, including those of art, people and locations;
All incoming or outgoing emails or text messages;
All records of incoming or outgoing phone calls;
All address book and contact information for people or businesses including names,
phone numbers, and addresses as well as references to storage facilities, Darko
and Roland;
All evidence of social media use;
All evidence of internet searches
I further swear that this is a true and detailed account of all the process of sken by me pursuant to the search warrant, and that pursuant to Penal Code Sections of State 1,536 this property will be retained in my custody, subject to the order of the court of the court in which the offense in respect to which the seized property is triable. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5 day of Los Angeles, Dept. 40. I.P.M. Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Dept. 40. List all items seized, including those not specifically listed on the warrant.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SEARCH WARRANT AND AFFIDAVIT (AFFIDAVIT)

Peace Officer Donald Hrycyk swears under oath that the facts expressed by him/her in the attached and incorporated Affidavit are true and that based thereon he/she has probable cause to believe and does believe that the articles, property and the locations set forth below. Wherefore, Affiant requests that this Search Warrant be issued.

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ITEM TO BE SEARCHED:

A Samsung Galaxy cellphone, listed on LAPD Property Report DR# 08-1025695 as item #18 (see Attachment A). This item is in police custody at Property Division at 180 N. Los Angeles Street in the city and county of Los Angeles.

FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY:

Any cellphone evidence that includes:

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Any digital photos, including those of art, people and locations;

All incoming or outgoing emails or text messages;

All records of incoming or outgoing phone calls;

All address book and contact information for people or businesses including names, phone numbers, and addresses as well as references to storage facilities, Darko and Roland;

All evidence of social media use;

All evidence of internet searches

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STATEMENT OF EXPERTISE:

My name is Donald Hrycyk, Serial No. 20623. I am a detective with the Los Angeles Police Department. I am currently assigned to Commercial Crimes Division, Burglary Special Section. I have been a police officer for over forty years during which I have investigated commercial and residential burglaries, receivers of stolen property, homicides, sex crimes, robberies, assaults, and juvenile offenses. I am in charge of LAPD's Art Theft Detail which is responsible for the investigation of art thefts and art frauds within the city of Los Angeles. I have been in this assignment for twenty years during which I have investigated over 800 art crimes.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE:

On August 24, 2008, I received a crime report (DR# 08-1025695) of a hot prowl residential burglary during which \$10 million in fine art was stolen from the home of see Attachment B) who were both elderly invalids. The art was taken during the day while they were in their bedrooms during a brief window of opportunity lasting less than an hour during which no caregivers or employees were in the house. Twelve paintings were taken including works by artists such as Marc Chagall, Diego Rivera, Chaim Soutine and others.

The art remained missing for six years. Then on 9/2/14, I became aware that a man named "Darko" in Europe was trying to find a buyer for the nine stolen paintings listed in the crime alert (see Attachment C). He indicated that he was merely a middleman for an unknown person in possession of the art in California.

I contacted Special Agent Elizabeth Rivas who works the FBI's Art Crime Team in Los Angeles. An undercover operation was implemented to recover the stolen art. FBI undercover agents posing as potential buyers set up a meeting at a hotel in West Los Angeles for the purpose of buying the nine stolen paintings valued at over \$10 million for \$700,000 in cash.

On 10/23/14, a man identified as Raul Espinoza (aka: Jorge Lara) tried to sell the paintings to the undercover agents and was subsequently arrested and the nine artworks recovered. He is being prosecuted under state charges of 496(a) PC (Receiving Stolen Property) with various special allegations. During the undercover operation, I heard Espinoza offering to sell three additional artworks. He described the paintings, one of which matches the description of an Endre Szasz painting owned by the victims that is still missing.

Special Agent Rivas told me she interviewed Darko who told her he spoke to the person in possession of the stolen art at least fifty times by cellphone and received cellphone photos of the stolen art in the same manner. During the undercover buy with FBI agents, I viewed and heard the operation taking place through the use of a hidden camera in the hotel room and

observed Espinoza using his cellphone to call confederates to signal them during the operation. In addition, I believe the original burglary could not have been accomplished without the assistance of inside help from one of the employees who worked for the victims at the time of the crime and I believe this person is known to Espinoza.

Espinoza's cellphone was seized and booked evidence at the time of his arrest. I request authorization to have his cellphone undergo forensic examination to determine if it contains phone numbers, contacts, photos, emails, text messages, and other information showing his involvement in the crime of receiving stolen property as well as his contacts with Darko and other accomplices in selling, transporting or storing the art. I believe this information may result in the recovery of three additional paintings in the possession of Espinoza that were stolen from the victims during the burglary in 2008 and may reveal the identity of persons involved in the original burglary in 2008.

The forensic examination of Espinoza's cellphone cannot be reasonably obtained within ten days from the date of service due to the the amount of time and effort needed for a skilled technician to conduct a systematic search for the pertinent information. As a result, it is requested that the time for return of service to this warrant be extended to 10 days following the receipt of the forensic examination report, NO LATER THAN FANDARY 30, 2015.

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