FLORIDA MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO WIRE FRAUD

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Web Summary: OIG-WS-2022-334

Alain Galette, a resident of Miami, pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, to one count of wire fraud on August 4, 2022, in relation to his application for a Payroll Program Protection (PPP) loan and in obtaining an Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) in the amount of \$149,900. The PPP loan was in the amount of \$163,577 but was denied. Our investigation found that Galette used an invalid social security number and included other false information on the PPP and EIDL applications. Upon receipt of the EIDL funds, Galette did not use the money for authorized purposes.