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Charges Filed Against Commercial Sex Organization Operating Out of Local Massage Parlors

Case #: 2020033841

VENTURA, Calif. - District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that five defendants have been charged with crimes related to operating an illicit commercial sex organization out of Ventura and Port Hueneme massage businesses.

Li Ma (DOB 02/18/66), of Oxnard, and Jaime Calderon (DOB 11/23/61), of Rosemead, were arrested on December 29, 2022. Both entered not guilty pleas to pimping and money laundering charges at their arraignment on December 30, 2022, and remain in custody with bail set at \$500,000.

An arrest warrant in the amount of \$500,000 has been issued for Xiangwei Ma (DOB 07/15/70), of Simi Valley, Ming Ma (DOB 10/18/85), of Oxnard, and Xiangdong Ma (DOB 09/10/72), of Hacienda Heights.

In 2020, an investigation by the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Bureau of Investigation revealed that the suspects have allegedly been operating a pay-for-sex business and utilizing various banking, real estate, and casino transactions to launder money. Xiangwei Ma is also accused of fraudulently short selling a home in Simi Valley in 2012, committing real estate fraud.

Deputy District Attorney Rikole Kelly, a member of the District Attorney's Office Human Trafficking Unit and Senior Deputy District Attorney Stephen Slyker, a member of the Real Estate Fraud, Asset Forfeiture and Code Enforcement Unit are prosecuting the case. The Bureau of Investigation was assisted by the Ventura Police Department, Port Hueneme Police Department, High Tech Task Force, and Ventura County Code Enforcement.

Li Ma and Calderon are scheduled to appear in court on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in courtroom 13 of the Ventura County Superior Court for bail review.

Defendant Information and Charges Filed:

Li Ma (DOB 02/18/66) Oxnard

Jaime Calderon (DOB 11/23/61) Rosemead

Xiangwei Ma (DOB 07/15/70) Simi Valley

Ming Ma (DOB 10/18/85) Oxnard

Xiandong Ma (DOB 09/10/72) Hacienda Heights

Charges Filed:

- Ct 1 PC266h Pimping (all Defendants)
- Ct 2 PC532f(a)(1) Mortgage Fraud (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 3 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 4 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 5 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 6 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 7 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 8 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 9 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering + PC186.10(c)(1)(B) Excessive Loss over \$150K (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 10 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering + PC186.10(c)(1)(B) Excessive Loss over \$150K (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 11 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering + PC186.10(c)(1)(B) Excessive Loss over \$150K (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 12 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering + PC186.10(c)(1)(B) Excessive Loss over \$150K (Xiangwei Ma)
- Ct 13 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Jaime Calderon)
- Ct 14 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Li Ma)
- Ct 15 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Li Ma)
- Ct 16 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering + PC186.10(c)(1)(B) Excessive Loss over \$150K (Li Ma)
- Ct 17 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Ming Ma)
- Ct 18 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering + PC186.10(c)(1)(B) Excessive Loss over \$150K (Ming Ma)
- Ct 19 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering + PC186.10(c)(1)(B) Excessive Loss over \$150K (Xiangdong Ma)
- Ct 20 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering + PC186.10(c)(1)(B) Excessive Loss over \$150K (Xiangdong Ma)
- Ct 21 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangdong Ma)
- Ct 22 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangdong Ma)
- Ct 23 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangdong Ma)
- Ct 24 PC186.10(a) Money Laundering (Xiangdong Ma)