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Philadelphia Man Charged with Making False Statements in Terrorism Investigation

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U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Pennsylvania

PHILADELPHIA – United States Attorney Jacqueline C. Romero announced that Kamal Fataliev, 19, of Philadelphia, was arrested and charged by indictment on charges of making false statements to federal agents. Specifically, the indictment alleges that, in May 2023, Fataliev made materially false statements to Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") special agents who were conducting an international terrorism investigation.

If convicted, the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 16 years in prison, three years of supervised release, a \$500,000 fine, and a \$200 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the FBI and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph A. LaBar and Trial Attorney Dmitriy Slavin of the United States Department of Justice, National Security Division, Counterterrorism Section.

An indictment, information, or criminal complaint is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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