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UNITED STATES OF AMER	ICA		US DISTRICT COLR EDNO.
· v.		CRIMINAL COM	PLAINT
Mohamed Mohamed Nagi		CASE NUMBER: 5". 10	-mj-2089
(Name and Address of Defendant)		*	
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I, the undersigned complainant being a knowledge and belief. From on or about Oc	·	•	·
District of North Carolina the	defendant(s) did, unlawfu	lly acquire, possess, and transfer	food stamps, of the value
of \$5,000 or more, in an unauthorized manner, in viol	ation of Title 7, United States	Code, Section 2024; did knowing	ly convert to his use or the
use of another electronic benefit transfer cards, of the	value of \$5,000 or more, of t	he goods and property of the Unit	ted States, in violation of
Title 18, United States Code, Section 641; and did ob	tain money and property by m	eans of materially false and frauc	dulent pretenses,
representations and promises by causing to be transr	mitted by means of wire comm	unication in interstate commerce	signals and sounds
in violation of Title <u>18</u> United State	· ·		orginalo alla ocunaci,
I further state that I am a(n) Task Force A	gent and that this co		owing facts:
See Attached Affidavit hereby incorp	oorated by reference as if	fully restated herein.	
l certify the foregoing to be a true and copy of the original. Dennis P. lavarone, Clerk United States District Court Eastern District of North Carolina	orrect		

Continued on the attached sheet and made a part hereof:

Yes No

Signature of Complainant

B.J. House

Task Force Agent

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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James E. Gates, United States Magistrate Judge

Name & Title of Judicial Officer

Signature of Judicial Officer

Yes No

Raleigh, North Carolina

City and State

Signature of Judicial Officer

1	EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
2	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA
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4	APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST WARRANTS
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6	1. B.L. House, Task Force Agent (TFA), Federal Bureau
7	of Investigation (FBI), Charlotte, North Carolina, United States
8	Department of Justice, hereinafter referred to as the affiant,
9	being duly sworn, deposes as follows:
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11	2. Your affiant is an "Investigative or Law
12	Enforcement Officer" of the United States within the meaning of
13	Title 18, United States Code, Section 2510 (7); that is, an
14	officer of the United States who is empowered by law to conduct
15	investigations of and to make arrests for offenses enumerated in
16	Title 18, United States Code.
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8	3. Your affiant is a Task Force Agent (TFA) of the FBI
9	and has been employed as such for three years and has been
20	assigned to the Raleigh Resident Agency, Charlotte Division,
21	since February of 2010. During this time, affiant has been
22	assigned investigative responsibilities in general criminal
23	matters, and is currently involved in the investigation of
24	interstate transportation of stolen property, contraband
25	cigarette trafficking, and fraud against the government.
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27	4. Your affiant has personally participated in the
8	investigation set forth below. The affiant is familiar with the
Ω	facts and direconstances of the investigation through personal

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- 1 participation; from discussions with other federal agents and
- 2 other law enforcement; from discussions with witnesses involved
- 3 in the investigation; and from review of records and reports
- 4 related to the investigation. Unless otherwise noted,
- 5 information in this affidavit the affiant asserts as true are
- 6 facts developed through personal observation or the observation
- 7 of other law enforcement officers or witnesses involved in the
- 8 investigation.

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10 5. Your affiant has not included each and every

- 11 piece of evidence developed in this investigation. Your affiant
- 12 has included evidence which would constitute sufficient probable
- 13 cause to meet the objectives of this affidavit.

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EXPLANATION OF THE USDA SNAP PROGRAM

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- 1. The US Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition
- 18 Service (FNS) administers the Federal Supplemental Nutritional
- 19 Assistance Program (SNAP) and provides federal funds to the
- 20 State government for low income families to purchase food. The
- 21 SNAP federal funds are distributed through the State of North
- 22 Carolina to individuals via a debit card called the Electronic
- 23 Benefits Transfer Card (EBT Card). The EBT Card is credited with
- 24 a certain dollar amount each month for the individual card
- 25 holder to use to purchase food items only. EBT Cards are similar
- 26 to debit cards that have magnetic strips containing
- 27 electronically coded information. The individual EBT card
- 28 recipient is assigned a personal identification number (PIN) for
- 29 their use only to access funds from the SNAP.



1	2. Retail food businesses, to include convenience stores,
2	that are authorized to accept EBT funds, receive electronic
3	computer terminals known as Point Of Sale (POS) terminals which
4	read the code information from the EBT card. A food item
5	purchase is accomplished when the recipient swipes the EBT card
6	through the POS terminal. The POS terminal reads the code on the
7	EBT card's magnetic strip and the food stamp recipient enters
8	their assigned PIN. This initiates a wire transfer through the
9	United States Federal Reserve System in which funds are deducted
10	from the EBT cardholder's account and credited to the store's
11	bank account for the value of the food item purchase.
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13	3. The EBT funds are paid from the USDA FNS federal funds
14	through the State of North Carolina via wire transfer into the
15	store's bank account. All food retail businesses, to include
16	convenience stores that are authorized by the USDA's FNS to
17	participate in the SNAP and receive EBT funds are prohibited
18	from paying cash for EBT funds.
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20	DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION
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22	1. During August of 2010, the affiant and other law
23	enforcement officers conducted a controlled delivery of EBT
24	cards to another subject. At least one of the cards was later
25	used at College Station Mart in Henderson, North Carolina.
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27	2. College Station Mart, located at
28	North Carolina, is described as a convenience store.
29	MOHAMED MOHAMED NAGI (NAGI) is known by the affiant to be a co-

operator of the business. College Station Mart's address, 2 North Carolina, is listed as NAGI's 3 address on his driver's license issued by the North Carolina 4 Division of Motor Vehicles. 5 6 3. On or about October 20, 2010, NAGI purchased three EBT 7 cards with PINs from a Confidential Source (CS1) whose identity 8 is known to the affiant. The values on the three cards were 9 \$502.00, \$421.00, and \$412.00, totaling \$1,335.00 worth of EBT 10 funds. NAGI paid CS1 \$650.00 in United States currency in 11 exchange for the three EBT cards. The EBT cards were 12 subsequently redeemed causing a fraudulent wire transfer of 13 United States government funds to be transmitted in interstate 14 commerce. NAGI, and other subjects, conducted these transactions 15 at College Station Mart and other various retail merchant 16 locations in the Henderson, North Carolina area. 17 18 4. On or about November 3, 2010, NAGI purchased four EBT 19 cards with PINs from CS1. The values on the four cards were 20 \$409.78, \$408.90, \$334.00, and \$472.00, totaling \$1624.68 worth 21 of EBT funds. NAGI paid CS1 \$700 in United States currency in 22 exchange for the four EBT cards.

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5. On or about November 19, 2010, NAGI purchased four EBT cards with PINs from CS1. The values on the four cards were \$480.00, \$570.00, \$502.00, and \$510.00, totaling \$2062.00 worth of EBT funds. NAGI paid CS1 \$500 in United States currency in exchange for the four EBT cards.

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1	6. Based on a review by the affiant of the USDA SNAP
2	transaction reports listing the transaction histories of each
3	card purchased by NAGI from CS1, the records reflect that the
4	value contained on the EBT Cards was redeemed. The EBT Cards
5	with PINs have been transacted at various retail merchants in
6	the Henderson and Oxford, North Carolina area, with some
7	transaction being conducted at College Station Mart.
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9	Based on the information obtained during the course of
10	this investigation as presented above, your affiant believes
11	probable cause exists that:
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13	1. MOHAMED MOHAMED NAGI, and others not yet charged, did
14	knowingly convert for his use, or the use of others, United
15	States Government funds in the form of EBT cards with PINs, in
16	violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 641.
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18	2. MOHAMED MOHAMED NAGI, and others not yet charged, did
19	knowingly obtain money by false pretense and did cause United
20	States Government funds to be transferred by wire in furtherance
21	of this scheme, in violation of Title 18, United States Code,
22	Section 1343.
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1	3. MOHAMED MOHAMED NAGI, and others not yet charged, did
2	knowingly use, transfer, and possess EBT card benefits in an
3	unauthorized manner, in violation of Title 7 United States Code,
4	Section 2024.
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6	B.L. House
7	Task Force Agent
8	Federal Bureau of Investigation
9	Raleigh, North Carolina
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12	Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of
13	December, 2010.
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16	James E. Gates
17	United States Magistrate Judge