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DOIT AUDIT UNCOVERS STATE AGENCIES DEFRAUDED
STATE POLICE MAKE ARREST

Connecticut State Police Major Crime Investigators met with ranking authorities of the State of Connecticut Department Of Information Technology on January 9, 2003. The meeting was to cause a criminal complaint to be filed by DOIT with the State Police regarding information that was uncovered in an audit that revealed that the State of Connecticut appeared to be defrauded by a vendor providing computers to several State Agencies via a contractual award made by DOIT in March 2001.

State Police Detective initiated a criminal investigation into the allegations. DOIT conducted an audit of computer components delivered to State Agencies and provided the results to State Police Detectives. State Police Detectives compiled information and evidence that resulted in a search and seizure warrant being obtained in this case.

On March 13th 2003 with the assistance of members of the Office of the Chief State's Attorney one search warrant was executed at the Offices of Computer Plus Center located on 657 Main St East Hartford, Ct. Evidence pertinent to this investigation was seized during the search.

State Police Detectives conducted additional investigation in this case consisting of interviews, examination of evidence and the serving of additional search and seizure warrants. State Police Detectives determined that the State Of Connecticut received substandard equipment and was charged unauthorized fees totaling approximately \$289,455.00. State Police Major Crime Detectives submitted an arrest warrant application to the Office of the Chief state's Attorney Public integrity Unit.

An arrest warrant was issued for the accused and on Monday June 7th the accused surrendered to State Police Detectives at Troop H in Hartford. The accused was processed and released on \$300,000 bond to appear today June 7th at GA #12 in Manchester.

ACCUSED: MALAPANIS, Gina DOB: 3/27/65

16 Jones Rd.

Manchester, CT.

CHARGES: Larceny 1st 53a-122 (a) (2) and 53a-119 (2)

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