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10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
12 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

13 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) NO. CR 07-689-GW
14)
Plaintiff,) STIPULATION REGARDING LAPTOP
15) COMPUTER
16)
v.)
17)
CHARLES C. LYNCH)
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Defendant.)
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21 In order to resolve defendant's pending motion regarding the
22 return of property, and to stipulate to a chain of custody
23 regarding that property, plaintiff United States of America, by and
24 through its attorney of record, Assistant United States Attorneys
25 David P. Kowal and Rasha Gerges, and defendant Charles C. Lynch, by
26 and through his counsel of record, Reuven Cohen and John Littrell,
27 hereby stipulate, as follows:

28 1. On March 29, 2007, during the execution of a search

1 warrant at the residence of Charles C. Lynch at 589 Rosemary Lane,
2 Arroyo Grande, California, agents from the Drug Enforcement
3 Administration (DEA) seized a blue Sony Vio laptop computer, model
4 #PCG-8P1L, serial #4-481-661-11, owned by Mr. Lynch, and booked it
5 into evidence as DEA Exhibit Number N-201 (the "laptop" or "DEA
6 Exhibit N-201").

7 2. Soon after the search warrant, a true and accurate copy,
8 or mirror-image, of the laptop's hard drive was made by a trained
9 computer forensic evidence specialist, Scott Sarmento, of the San
10 Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department, and maintained on a secure
11 computer forensic system.

12 3. In order to allow for the return of the original laptop
13 to Mr. Lynch, on or about April 3, 2009, Mr. Sarmento copied a true
14 and accurate image of the laptop's hard drive onto a Seagate
15 external hard drive, serial number 2GEVLFWE (the "hard drive"), and
16 then shipped the hard drive to DEA Special Agent Rachel Burkdoll,
17 who booked the hard drive into evidence as DEA Exhibit N-203.

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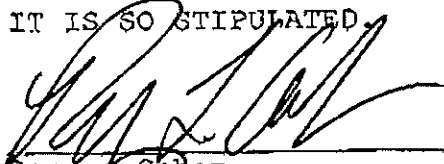
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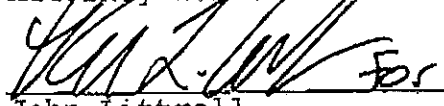
1 4. The hard drive (DEA Exhibit N-203) thus contains an exact
 2 copy of the information that was on Mr. Lynch's laptop (DEA Exhibit
 3 N-201) on March 29, 2007, the day it was seized from Mr. Lynch's
 4 residence.

5 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

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7 Reuven Cohen
 8 Attorney for Charles C. Lynch

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10 John Littrell
 11 Attorney for Charles C. Lynch

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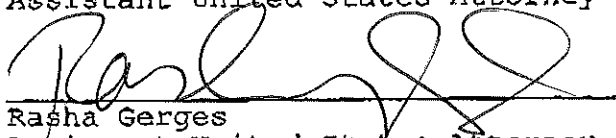
13 Charles C. Lynch
 14 Defendant

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 17 Assistant United States Attorney

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