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BUREAU OF PRISONS EMPLOYEE ADMITS PROVIDING MOBILE PHONES TO AN INMATE AT FEDERAL PRISON AT FORT DIX

TRENTON, N.J. – A U.S. Bureau of Prisons employee today admitted providing two mobile phones to an inmate at Fort Dix Federal Correctional Institution (FCI Fort Dix), U.S. Attorney Paul J. Fishman announced.

Elizabeth M. Quinones, 30, of Willingboro, New Jersey, pleaded guilty before U.S. Magistrate Judge Tonianne J. Bongiovanni in Trenton federal court to an information charging her with one count of giving an inmate at FCI Fort Dix two mobile telephones.

According to documents filed in this case and statements made in court:

Quinones worked as a health services assistant at FCI Fort Dix, in Burlington County, New Jersey. Between May 2014 and June 2014, Quinones provided an FCI Fort Dix inmate with two mobile phones. Federal inmates housed at FCI Fort Dix are prohibited by federal statute from possessing mobile telephones.

The offense to which Quinones pleaded guilty is punishable by a maximum potential penalty of one year in prison and a \$100,000 fine. Sentencing is scheduled for April 9, 2015.

U.S. Attorney Fishman credited special agents of the U.S. Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General, New Jersey Area Office, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Ronald G. Gardella, for the investigation leading to today's guilty plea.

The government is represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Eric W. Moran of the U.S. Attorney's Office Special Prosecutions Division in Trenton.

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