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STEFFAN RADULOVIC INDICTED ON CHARGES OF THEFT OF GOVERNMENT MONIES AND FAILING TO REPORT EVENTS TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

R. Alexander Acosta, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida and Thomas Caul, Acting Special Agent in Charge, Office of Inspector General, Social Security Administration, announced today that on July 23, 2008, defendant **Steffan Radulovic**, resident of Broward County, Florida, was indicted on charges of theft of government monies and failing to notify the Social Security Administration of events that would have affected his receipt of Social Security disability payments, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 641 and Title 42, United States Code, Section 408(a)(4). Radulovic was arrested and had an initial appearance in front of U.S. Magistrate Judge Snow yesterday morning.

According to the Indictment, Radulovic claimed he was unable to work due to a disabling leg and back condition, and received Social Security disability payments on behalf of himself and two children since 1990. From in or about July 2005 through in or about December 2007, Radulovic received approximately \$69,000 in such payments, and intentionally failed to report to the Social Security Administration, that he had, in fact, returned to work in the construction industry. Radulovic allegedly gave his employer a federal tax identification number of a company that he had incorporated to report his earnings, rather than his individual Social Security number, as required, in order to hide such earnings from the Social Security Administration. Anyone who receives Social Security disability payments is required to report any changes in their medical condition or any return to work.

Radulovic faces a maximum sentence of ten years' imprisonment on the charges related to the theft of government money and five years' imprisonment

on the charges related to the failure to report events to the Social Security Administration.

Mr. Acosta commended the investigative efforts of the Office of Inspector General, Social Security Administration. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Laurie E. Rucoba.

A copy of this press release may be found on the website of the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida at <http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/fls>. Related court documents and information may be found on the website of the District Court for the Southern District of Florida at <http://www.flsd.uscourts.gov> or on <http://pacer.flsd.uscourts.gov>.