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**FORMER WARDEN OF FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER INDICTED FOR  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE RELATED OFFENSES**

**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania** - A federal grand jury in Philadelphia has indicted Troy Levi, age 49, of Williamstown, New Jersey, on charges of obstruction of justice, witness tampering and making false statements to federal officials.

The indictment was announced by United States Attorney for the District of Maryland Rod J. Rosenstein and United States Department of Justice Acting Inspector General Cynthia A. Schnedar.<sup>1</sup>

The seven count indictment alleges that, from August 30, 2010 through September 4, 2010, defendant Troy Levi, who was the Warden of the Federal Detention Center ("FDC") in Philadelphia, engaged in a series of actions in which he attempted to cover-up employee misconduct and to obstruct the investigation of employee misconduct. More specifically, it is alleged that defendant Levi attempted to cover-up the fact that an FDC employee entered the FDC on August 30, 2010 with an unauthorized firearm in his bag, which was detected by an X-ray machine in the screening area. The indictment alleges that the FDC employee, who was being investigated for a workplace violence incident at the time, had brought the firearm into the FDC by accident. However, it is alleged that soon after defendant Levi found out about the firearm incident, he created a false explanation about having previously given permission to the employee to bring the firearm into the FDC.

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<sup>1</sup> The U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania is recused in this matter.

It is alleged that Levi had a private meeting with the FDC employee and instructed him that, if anyone were to ask him about the firearm incident, the employee should falsely state that defendant Levi had given him permission to bring the firearm into the FDC so that it could be secured in an FDC gun locker. Defendant Levi allegedly told the employee to state falsely to others that the firearm could not be secured in the employee's car because the trunk was not locking properly. It is alleged that in order to make it appear as if it were true that the employee's trunk was not locking properly, defendant Levi instructed him to retrieve his firearm from the trunk of his car, to bring it into the FDC, and to have it secured in a gun locker within the FDC. Defendant Levi further instructed the employee that, since he might be questioned about whether he had fixed the trunk, he should obtain a receipt from an auto mechanic showing that the mechanic had worked on the trunk to fix it. It is alleged that the employee complied with this instruction and obtained an invoice from an auto mechanic in Philadelphia falsely indicating that the latch on the trunk had been serviced.

Defendant Levi also allegedly directed other staff members not to report the incident to the Bureau of Prisons' ("BOP") Office of Internal Affairs, despite BOP policies requiring the incident to be reported immediately. According to the indictment, Levi made false statements not only to other staff at the FDC but also to his superiors at the BOP Northeast Regional Office, including the BOP Regional Director.

Defendant Levi faces a maximum sentence of 110 years in prison if convicted of all charges. An indictment is not a finding of guilt. An individual charged by indictment is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at some later criminal proceedings.

United States Attorney Rod J. Rosenstein praised the United States Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General for their work in the investigation. Mr. Rosenstein thanked Assistant United States Attorneys John J. Pease and Anthony Kyriakakis (both from the U.S. Attorney's Office in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania), who are prosecuting the case.