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TRI-NET DRUG TASK FORCE INVESTIGATION/ARREST

Nevada - On February 22, 2018, the Nevada Department of Public Safety Investigation Division's Tri-NET Narcotic Task Force arrested Russell Masset, age 44 and Frances Revada Jr. age 35 on charges that included Unlawful Transport, Exchange, Prescription, or Administration of a Controlled Substance; Conspiracy; and Burglary. This was a joint investigation involving the Tri-NET Narcotic Task Force, the Regional Street Enforcement Team and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs-Office of the Inspector General's Criminal Investigation Division.

Over the course of this investigation, which started in April of 2017, detectives learned that numerous fraudulent Veteran Affairs prescriptions for Oxycodone were being filled on behalf of several individuals who were not documented Veterans. The investigation disclosed that one of the arrestees, Masset, was formerly employed as a Physician's Assistant by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. The investigation continues and will examine whether any other persons were involved in criminal activity.

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