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Title:

SARKIS SOGHANALIAN;
[REDACTED]

Character:

AUTOMOBILE INFORMATION DISCLOSURE ACT

Synopsis:

On 7/24/62, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Binghamton, New York, advised the subjects were importing and selling Volkswagons from Germany and that these automobiles were alleged to be new automobiles; however, no sticker reflecting the price of these automobiles was placed on the windows as required by law. Subjects interviewed and stated they are in partnership in selling new Volkswagons since May of 1962. SARKIS SOGHANALIAN states he goes to Germany and buys these Volkswagons himself and imports them into the U.S. at a port in Newark, New Jersey, and then ships these Volkswagons to Vestal, N.Y. with his own trailer. He stated they are new Volkswagons. He stated that when he went into the automobile business he thought he was complying with every law concerning the import and selling of foreign automobiles. Stated he was informed approximately two weeks ago that he must have this sticker reflecting the price of the automobile by a NYS Department of Motor Vehicles Inspector. Stated that he has ordered these stickers but they have not arrived at his company as yet. Stated he had sold about 35 Volkswagons since May 1, 1962, and presently has 26 Volkswagons on his lot now without the sticker disclosing the price of these automobiles. [REDACTED] of SARKIS SOGHANALIAN, advised he is the individual who more or less takes care of the dealership in the United States while his [REDACTED] SARKIS, is the individual who goes to Germany and buys these automobiles. [REDACTED] stated he did not know he [REDACTED] were violating any Federal laws in not having the sticker relating the price on the windows.

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DETAILS: AT BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

On July 24, 1962, [redacted] telephonically advised that he is a new car dealer dealing in foreign automobiles in the Binghamton area. He stated that he had knowledge that a SARKIS SOGHANALIAN was also importing Volkswagons into the United States and was selling these automobiles as new cars, and that these automobiles did not have the stickers pertaining to the price and accessories on the Volkswagons posted on the windows of these new automobiles. [redacted] advised he is with [redacted] Binghamton.

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