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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
United States Department of Agriculture



January 10, 2022

Subject: Log No. 22-00002

This letter responds to your October 6, 2021, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)¹ request to the Department of Agriculture (USDA) Office of Inspector General (OIG). You requested copies of the final report, conclusory document, report of investigation (ROI), closing report, closing memo, closing letter, referral memo, and referral letter for 10 listed OIG closed investigations.

We are enclosing 23 pages of responsive records. Pursuant to FOIA, certain information has been redacted and withheld as it is exempt from release. Specifically, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(6) and (b)(7)(C), the names, signatures, initials, and other identifying information of individuals were withheld because release of this information could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Exemption 6 protects information about individuals in personnel and medical files and similar files when the disclosure of such information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Exemption 7(C) is limited to information compiled for law enforcement purposes, and protects personal information when disclosure could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

We have enclosed an explanatory sheet of FOIA exemption explanations.

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¹ 5 U.S.C. § 552.

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National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road (OGIS)
College Park, MD 20740-6001
Phone: (202) 741-5770
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Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448
Email: ogis@nara.gov
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For information about OIG, please refer to our Web site at www.oig.usda.gov. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact our office at (202) 720-5677.

Sincerely,

/s/ Alison Decker

Alison Decker
Assistant Counsel

Enclosures: Exemptions sheet/documents



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL-INVESTIGATIONS
Midwest Region
Chicago, Illinois**



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: Ch-3310-0001

DATE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

TITLE: ANIMAL WELFARE SURVEY

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

CASE TYPE: Animal Welfare Violations

SPECIAL AGENT: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

APPROVED BY: Anthony V. Mohatt
ANTHONY V. MOHATT
Special Agent-in-Charge

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated through (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) Animal Welfare Act. Criminal prosecutions
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) United States Attorney's Office in (b)(6)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) county courts (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) The investigations disclosed
widespread Animal Welfare Act violations (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) Violations of the Animal Welfare Act (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) yielded - indictments, - arrests, - search
warrants, and numerous convictions. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) Animal Welfare Act (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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United States Department of Agriculture
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL-INVESTIGATIONS
Midwest Region
Chicago, Illinois



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: Ch-3330-0034	DATE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
TITLE: Animal Fighting Survey (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	
CASE TYPE: Animal Fighting (Survey)	

SPECIAL AGENT: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

APPROVED BY: **ANTHONY MOHATT**
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Ch-3330-0034

A survey investigation was opened in the (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) to address allegations of animal fighting and animal welfare violations.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

This case was worked (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

The following individual was investigated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>USDA OIG Case Number</u>
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	Ch-3330-0035
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	

The results of the above investigation were reported under the corresponding case number.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

This case was worked (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Summary</u>
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
	(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
		(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

The United States Attorney's Office (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) declined to accept this case for prosecution.

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL-INVESTIGATIONS
Midwest Region
Chicago, Illinois**



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: Ch-3330-0037

DATE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

TITLE:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

CASE TYPE: Animal Fighting

SPECIAL AGENT: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

APPROVED BY:

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SYNOPSIS

This (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) investigation (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
ANIMAL FIGHTING (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
ANIMAL FIGHTING (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **USDA-OIG** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **United States District Court** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fight (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **USDA-OIG** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) rooster fight (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) roosters for fighting. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **United States District Court** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) pleaded guilty (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) waived
Indictment, and signed a Plea Agreement (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **Animal Fighting**
 (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **Animal Fighting**

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was sentenced (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) to (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) months incarceration, followed by (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) years of supervised release. Additionally, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was ordered to pay a (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) fine, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) special assessment, and forfeiture in the amount of (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL-INVESTIGATIONS
Northeast Region
New York, New York



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: HY-3330-0045

DATE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

TITLE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) ANIMAL FIGHTING

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

CASE TYPE: Animal Fighting

SPECIAL AGENT: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

APPROVED BY:

(b)(6)

BETHANNE M. DINKINS
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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was conducted to determine if animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **As a result, the U.S. Department**

of Agriculture (USDA), Office of Inspector General (OIG) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **dog fighting** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **USDA, OIG's** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

The investigation disclosed that (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) dog fights; (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) dog fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) dog fights; (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

DETAILS

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) USDA, OIG (OIG) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) dog fighting. dog fighting.

[illegible]

During the course of this investigation, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) Delaware Attorney General's Office (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
USDA, OIG (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS

This case was accepted for prosecution by the U.S. Attorney's Office (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was charged (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was convicted and sentenced to a total of [] months' imprisonment to be followed by [] months' supervised release, and ordered to pay a special assessment of (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL-INVESTIGATIONS

Northeast Region
26 Federal Plaza, Room 1409
New York, New York 10278-0004



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: HY-3330-0050

DATE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

TITLE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

CASE TYPE: Animal Fighting

SPECIAL AGENT:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

APPROVED BY:

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

This investigation revealed that (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

were

arrested, indicted, convicted, and sentenced as a result of this investigation.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

This matter was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

ANIMAL FIGHTING - 7 U.S.C. § 2156

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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were arrested and questioned

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was arrested

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was arrested

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was arrested

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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(b)(7)(C)

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was arrested

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(b)(6);
(b)(7)(C)

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was arrested

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

were indicted

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

by a federal grand jury

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

and charged with (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) criminal violations related to animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was also indicted on (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) count (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) plead guilty. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was sentenced to (b)(6) months in prison, placed on (b)(6) years of supervised release, fined (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) in Special Assessments, ordered to forfeit all items seized from (b)(6) home, and had a money judgment imposed against (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) for an additional (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) plead guilty. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was sentenced to (b)(6) months and (b)(6) day in prison, placed on (b)(6) years of supervised release, fined (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) in Special Assessments, ordered to forfeit all items seized from (b)(6) home, and had a money judgment imposed against (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) for an additional (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) plead guilty. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was sentenced to (b)(6) months in prison, placed on (b)(6) years of supervised release, fined (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) in Special Assessments, ordered to forfeit the (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) in cash seized (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) a money judgment imposed against (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) for an additional (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) which was to be paid jointly or severally.

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was convicted via jury trial. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was subsequently sentenced to (b)(6) months in prison; (b)(6) years of supervised release; fined (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) in Special Assessments; ordered to forfeit the (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) in cash seized from (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); and, was ordered to pay, jointly or severally with (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) co-defendants, an additional (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) plead guilty and was sentenced to (b)(6) months in prison, placed on (b)(6) years of supervised release, fined (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) in Special Assessments, ordered to forfeit the (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) in cash seized from (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) home, and had money judgment imposed against (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) for an additional (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) which was to be paid jointly or severally.

PROSECUTIVE DETERMINATION

This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL-INVESTIGATIONS
Northeast Region
New York, New York



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: HY-3330-0057	DATE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
TITLE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	
CASE TYPE: Animal Fighting	

SPECIAL AGENT:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

APPROVED BY:

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was conducted to determine if (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

The investigation revealed that (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

DETAILS

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) reporting agent (RA) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Office of
Inspector General (OIG) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) USDA, OIG (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Agent's Note: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS

This case was accepted for prosecution by the State's Attorney's Office

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was charged in Circuit Court

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

with

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

pled guilty in Circuit Court

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was sentenced

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

years in prison to be followed by

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

years of supervised

release, and was ordered to pay

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

in restitution.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL - INVESTIGATIONS
Southwest Region
Temple, Texas



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: Te-3330-0039	DATE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
TITLE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	
CASE TYPE: Animal Welfare Violations	

SPECIAL AGENT:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was conducted to determine if (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting venture.

The investigation established (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting venture. (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) dog fighting, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

This investigation (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

BACKGROUND

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) dog fighting. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Office of Inspector General, (OIG) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

ANIMAL FIGHTING VENTURE – 7 U.S.C. § 2156(b)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) Reporting Agent (RA) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) RA (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) animal fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) United States District Court (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was charged (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) one count (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) 7 U.S.C. § 2156(b) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) pled guilty (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) was sentenced to (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) probation, ordered to pay a (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) fine, and a (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) special assessment (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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United States Department of Agriculture
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL-INVESTIGATIONS
Western Region
Oakland, California



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: SF-3330-0052

DATE:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

TITLE:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

CASE TYPE: Animal Welfare Violations

SPECIAL AGENT:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was conducted to determine if (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

animal

fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Investigation disclosed that on

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

cock-fighting (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

United

States Department of Agriculture Office of Inspector General (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

pled guilty to one felony count

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was sentenced to time served (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

pled guilty

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Exhibition of Cockfights (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was sentenced to (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

time served and (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

fine

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL – INVESTIGATIONS
Southwest Region
Temple, TX



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NUMBER: Te-3330-21	DATE: (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
TITLE:	(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
CASE TYPE:	Animal Fighting/Animal Welfare Act

SPECIAL AGENT:

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was conducted (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **animal fighting** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **animal fighting venture,** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

The investigation determined (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

This investigation (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

BACKGROUND

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **Reporting Agent (RA)** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Office of Inspector**
General (OIG) (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **animal**
fighting (b)(6);

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **USDA-OIG,** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **animal fighting**
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **individuals were arrested and charged** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **RA** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **individuals pleaded guilty** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **in fines were collected** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **Assistant County Attorney** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **filed** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C) **charging** (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Judicial District Court

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was indicted for

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

indictment

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was dismissed

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

pleaded guilty

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

and was sentenced to

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

probation and ordered to pay

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

fine

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

charging

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

was dismissed

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Legal action continues at this time.

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