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KENYAN WOMAN INDICTED FOR HACKING BANK ACCOUNT

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kenyan woman was indicted by a federal grand jury today for hacking into an account at a Kansas City, Mo., bank in order to steal more than \$31,000.

Anne Marie Nyanjau Kamuyu, 28, of Omaha, Neb., a citizen of Kenya, was charged in a 15-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Today's indictment alleges that **Kamuyu** accessed a protected computer in a manner that was unauthorized. The charges allege that **Kamuyu** gained access to a customer's bank account information for her account at the Bank of America branch at 4720 Jefferson, Kansas City, Mo., and caused money to be electronically debited from that account. **Kamuyu** is a former Bank of America employee whose employment ended in May 2002.

Each of the 15 counts in today's indictment allege a separate instance of unauthorized access from Aug. 12, 2002, to Sept. 23, 2002. Debits ranged from \$126 to \$11,668, totaling more than \$31,000 during that time period.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney D. Michael Green. It was investigated by the U.S. Secret Service.

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