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22 v.

23 NDS GROUP PLC, NDS
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24 NORRIS, REUVEN HASAK,
OLIVER KOMMERLING,
JOHN LUYANDO, PLAMEN
25 DONEV, VESSELIN
NEDELTCHEV,
26 CHRISTOPHER TARNOVSKY,
ALLEN MENARD, LINDA
27 WILSON, MERVIN MAIN,
DAVE DAWSON, SHAWN
28 QUINN, ANDRE SERGEI,

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**PLAINTIFFS' THIRD AMENDED
COMPLAINT FOR:**

- 1) **Violation of the Digital
Millennium Copyright Act, 17
U.S.C. § 1201(a)(1)(A);**
- 2) **Violation of the Digital
Millennium Copyright Act, 17
U.S.C. § 1201(a)(2);**
- 3) **Violation of the Digital
Millennium Copyright Act, 17
U.S.C. § 1201(b);**
- 4) **Violation of the Communications
Act of 1934, as amended, 47
U.S.C. § 605(a);**

**Violation of the Communications Act
of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §
605(e)(4);**

1 TODD DALE, STANLEY
2 FROST, GEORGE
3 TARNOVSKY, BRIAN
4 SOMMERFIELD, ED BRUCE,
"BEAVIS," "JAZZERCZ,"
"STUNTGUY," and JOHN
DOES 1 – 100,

5 Defendants.

- 5) Violation of the Electronic Communications Privacy Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2511(1)(a);
- 6) Violation of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1114;
- 7) Violation of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a);
- 8) Violation of RICO Statute, 18 U.S.C. § 1962(c);
- 9) Violation of RICO Statute, 18 U.S.C. § 1962(d)
- 10) Violation of California Penal Code §§ 593d(a);
- 11) Violation of California Penal Code § 593d(b);
- 12) Violation of California Penal Code § 593d(c);
- 13) Violation of California Penal Code § 593e(a);
- 14) Violation of California Penal Code § 593e(b);
- 15) Unfair Competition in Violation of California Business & Professions Code § 17200;
- 16) Tortious Interference with Contractual Relations;
- 17) Tortious Interference with Prospective Contractual Relations/Economic Advantage;
- 18) Unjust Enrichment;
- 19) Conversion;
- 20) Breach of Contract;
- 21) Civil Conspiracy/Joint Contribution.

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1 Plaintiffs EchoStar Communications Corporation, EchoStar Satellite L.L.C.
2 f/k/a EchoStar Satellite Corporation, and EchoStar Technologies Corporation
3 (collectively "EchoStar"), and NagraStar L.L.C. ("NagraStar") (collectively
4 "Plaintiffs") file their Third Amended Complaint ("TAC") against the above named
5 Defendants and state as follows:

6 **I. INTRODUCTION & NATURE OF THE CASE**

7 1. Plaintiff EchoStar is a multi-channel video provider, providing video,
8 audio, and data services to customers throughout the United States, Puerto Rico,
9 and the U.S. Virgin Islands via a Direct Broadcast Satellite ("DBS") system. As
10 part of its business, EchoStar uses high-powered satellites to broadcast, among
11 other things, movies, sports, and general entertainment programming services
12 ("Programming") to consumers who have been legally authorized to receive its
13 Programming after payment of a subscription fee (or in the case of a pay-per-view
14 movie or event, the purchase price). EchoStar operates its DBS Programming
15 service under the trade name "DISH Network" which was launched in 1996.

16 2. In order to protect its signal from unlawful and unauthorized use, a
17 DBS provider must encrypt its satellite signal. EchoStar encrypts its satellite
18 signals using a technology provided, in part, by NagraStar. NagraStar is a supplier
19 of "smart cards" or access cards ("Access Cards") which contain tiny
20 microprocessors embedded therein that facilitate functions of a larger "conditional
21 access system" ("CAS") known as Digital Nagra Advanced Security Process
22 ("DNASP"). DNASP uses a complex encryption system that is combined with a
23 Digital Video Broadcasting ("DVB") scrambler/encoder system to form EchoStar's
24 management and security system ("Security System"). Among other things, the
25 Security System serves two interrelated functions: (1) subscriber management –
26 allowing EchoStar to "turn on" Programming that a customer has ordered; and (2)
27 encryption – preventing individuals or entities who have not ordered Programming
28 from receiving it.

1 3. Defendants NDS Group PLC and NDS Americas, Inc. (“NDS”) are the
2 only major competitor of Plaintiff NagraStar in the CAS marketplace. NDS
3 provides the encryption technology used by DirecTV. DirecTV is Plaintiff
4 EchoStar’s only major competitor in the DBS industry.

5 4. In or around 1998, NDS was involved in efforts to convince EchoStar
6 to switch CAS providers from NagraStar to NDS. These efforts were ultimately
7 unsuccessful, however, because at that time the CAS provided to EchoStar by
8 NagraStar had never been compromised. Conversely, the NDS system used by
9 DirecTV was widely hacked and pirated resulting in an exponentially increasing
10 number of satellite pirates having the ability to receive DirecTV’s satellite
11 programming without an authorized subscription and without proper payment to
12 DirecTV. During this same time period, NDS was also experiencing similar
13 problems with the customers it provided CAS services to in Europe.

14 5. Ultimately, NDS’s inability to provide a secure CAS product to its
15 customers resulted in a total loss of confidence in NDS’s encryption technology. In
16 fact, the satellite piracy and hacking of DirecTV’s signal became so uncontrollable
17 that, in 1998, DirecTV began to solicit proposals from other CAS providers in the
18 industry.

19 6. The leading candidate for DirecTV’s solicitation was the CAS
20 provided by NagraStar to EchoStar. DirecTV was so dissatisfied with NDS’s
21 product that it paid NagraStar \$100,000 to devise a proposal and bid for contracting
22 with DirecTV to be its new CAS provider.

23 7. In sum, NDS was on the verge of losing one of its largest accounts,
24 DirecTV, and ultimately, its ability to effectively compete in the CAS industry.
25 Indeed, NDS internal documents cited herein are illustrative of NDS’s knowledge
26 of the vulnerability¹ of its conditional access system, the real and immediate threat

27 ¹ September 26, 1997, NDS Memorandum Report to Hasak stating “At present I think we are on
28 the edge of a serious situation...part of the problem is the history of the insecurity of our
technology...we must face the fact that our reputation is bad and our competitors make capital out

1 of losing its clients (*e.g.*, DirecTV) to its competitors, such as NagraStar, and that
2 high level executives in charge of NDS's security division had their "jobs in
3 jeopardy." NDS knew it needed to act, and act quickly, if it was to have any chance
4 of commercial survival.

5 8. However, instead of making advancements in its technology and
6 improving its product in order to fairly and legally compete in the marketplace,
7 NDS made the calculated decision to hire the "worst" and most well-known
8 satellite pirates and hackers in the world in an effort to establish and maintain
9 "control" over the compromising of its CAS product as well as its competitors'
10 technology. NDS concluded that if it could "control" the hackers and the constant
11 breaks into its security system, as well as orchestrating breaks into its competitors'
12 security systems, then NDS's product would appear superior in the CAS
13 marketplace.²

14 9. To implement this plan, NDS first had to get "control" over the hacks
15 and piracy of its own clients, such as DirecTV. To accomplish this, NDS launched
16 a massive attack on the satellite pirates and hackers in the United States and Canada
17 that were responsible for compromising the CAS that NDS provided to DirecTV.
18 Accordingly, NDS offered its resources and assistance to various law enforcement
19 agencies to initiate criminal proceedings, as well as attacking these same pirates on
20 the civil front by filing numerous civil suits.

21
22 of it...We have introduced control. The question is whether the control is camouflaging the
23 weaknesses in our technology. My fear is that it is....At present we are not gaining most of the
24 new projects. How long before we actually lose one to a competitor. Our jobs are on the line.
25 Maybe not yet but we are vulnerable." June 18, 1999 NDS Letter to Hasak from Adams stating
26 "JOD was heavily involved in the DTV negotiations. He thinks we will lose them soon. We will
27 lose them quicker if P3 is hacked. This must be a major concern."

28 ² December 1998 NDS Letter from Ray Adams to Hasak stating "It should be a simple task for
one of our techies to prove that the Australian Irdeto card is as vulnerable [hack the card] as any in
any other country...What we [NDS] need urgently are some official cards from each of the
systems, six of each, making 18 total so that we can get the pirates to switch them on. This is the
easiest way to prove our case. It will also be very effective and untraceable."

1 10. Once NDS was able to put enough legal pressure on the pirating
2 community, it began to recruit the hackers responsible for compromising NDS's
3 technology and put them on the NDS payroll.³ Specifically, from as early as 1998,
4 NDS employed, protected, paid, and controlled well-known satellite pirates and
5 hackers including, but not limited to, Christopher Tarnovsky, Oliver Kommerling,
6 Plamen Donev, Vesseline Nedeltchev, Jan Saggiori, Dieter Scheel, and John
7 Luyando. With these notorious hackers on their payroll, and acting under the
8 protective umbrella NDS provided them, NDS was now able to "control" the piracy
9 of its clients. With this "control" over the hackers, NDS was also able to gain the
10 ability to put economic leverage on its clients. Specifically, NDS could instruct,
11 assist, and/or otherwise facilitate their hacker employees in pirating a client's CAS.
12 Once compromised, NDS could offer the client – **for a fee** – an Electronic Counter
13 Measure ("ECM") that would combat a hack which, unbeknownst to the client,
14 NDS was controlling. Accordingly, Phase 1 of the NDS plan to conquer the CAS
15 marketplace was complete.

16 11. Phase 2 of the NDS scheme involved NDS gaining the ability to
17 "control" the piracy of its competitors' security systems. In order to accomplish this
18 goal, NDS took a four (4) step approach.

19 12. Step 1 required NDS to obtain the Read Only Memory ("ROM") and
20 Electronically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory ("EEPROM") codes
21 ("Codes") used in their competitors' Access Cards. These proprietary codes form
22 the heart and soul of CAS providers' security system and, as such, are secured and
23 embedded in the tiny microprocessor unit stored in the Access Card. To extract
24 these Codes, NDS needed a state-of-the-art laboratory, extremely sophisticated
25 equipment including a scanning electron microscope and focused ion beam, and
26 highly skilled engineers. There are only approximately six (6) of these labs in the

27 ³ Additionally, Plaintiffs are informed and believe that some of NDS's hacker employees (e.g.,
28 Tarnovsky) were paid through other companies, such as HarperCollins Publishers in New York,
which are linked to NDS's parent company, News Corp.

1 world – NDS owns one of them in Haifa, Israel, which was designed and built by
2 NDS with the assistance of Kommerling⁴ and used by NDS to extract the ROM and
3 EEPROM Codes and keys utilized by NDS’s competitors.

4 13. Using its Haifa laboratory, NDS unlawfully and impermissibly cracked
5 Plaintiffs’ Access Card and extracted Plaintiffs’ secret proprietary ROM and
6 EEPROM Codes secured therein. This was not the first time NDS engaged in this
7 unlawful conduct.⁵ On April 9, 2002, NDS employee/agent Kommerling provided
8 sworn testimony in another suit⁶ brought by Canal+ against NDS for
9 anticompetitive conduct similar to the acts alleged herein. In his declaration,
10 Kommerling explained the methods NDS used to break the security system of
11 Canal+ and to subsequently distribute that information to foster the satellite piracy
12 of the Canal+ system.

13 14. Step 2 involved NDS transferring these unlawfully extracted ROM and
14 EEPROM Codes to a pirating software engineer capable of using them to
15 unlawfully access, reprogram, modify, alter, or otherwise interfere with the Access
16 Cards used by Plaintiffs to protect the DISH Network satellite signal. NDS
17 accomplished this task by using one of its new hacker employees, Tarnovsky, who
18 had previously been responsible for compromising the CAS provided by NDS to

19 ⁴ In 1999, Kommerling and Markus Kuhn co-wrote “Design Principles for Tamper Resistant
20 Smart Cards.” This publication became the standard text on how to “reverse engineer” a state-of-
21 the-art smartcard by using certain techniques including, but not limited to, acid treatments,
microscopic probes, laser cutting, and ion beam manipulation.

22 ⁵ April 30, 1999, NDS Letter from Ray Adams to Hasak referencing a meeting that Kommerling
23 had with Canal+, wherein Kommerling was asked about the DR7 [Menard] Hack release.
24 Kommerling was asked if he could do a hack of the IRDeto system in Arabia on PANAM SAT
25 channel ART 1, however, unbeknownst to Canal+, the hack of IRDeto was already in NDS’s
possession. “JR wants Alex [Kommerling] to hack the system but at the same time to provide a
fix. So that when the pirate cards are available he will be able to say that Alex ‘the technician’ can
do a fix in 24 hours. . . . What JR does not know is that the hack is already in our [NDS’s]
possession.”

26 ⁶ Plaintiffs first attempted to assert their claims against NDS by moving to intervene in the
27 *Canal+ v. NDS* litigation. Not surprisingly, NDS fought vigorously to keep Plaintiffs’ Motion to
28 Intervene from being heard or ruled upon. Ultimately, NDS settled with Canal+ prior to
Plaintiffs’ Motion to Intervene being considered by the Court. Accordingly, Plaintiffs filed the
instant action.

1 DirecTV. NDS had recently moved Tarnovsky to California. Accordingly, NDS
2 transmitted Plaintiffs' ROM and EEPROM Codes to Tarnovsky via Reuven Hasak
3 (Israel) and John Norris (California), both of which were/are NDS employees.
4 Tarnovsky has previously admitted to Kommerling that NDS provided Tarnovsky
5 with Plaintiffs' ROM and EEPROM Codes via Hasak and Norris. In a similar vein,
6 on or about October 5, 2001, Tarnovsky also admitted to Gilles Kaehlin, Head of
7 Security for Canal+, that NDS was behind the Canal+ hack and that NDS provided
8 Tarnovsky with the full Canal+ ROM code via Hasak and Norris.

9 15. At the direction and under the control of NDS, and with assistance
10 provided by NDS, Tarnovsky was able to use Plaintiffs' proprietary Codes to
11 design and build a pirating device that was capable of reprogramming Plaintiffs'
12 Access Cards thereby allowing others to gain unauthorized and unlawful access to
13 Plaintiffs' satellite television Programming services. NDS and Tarnovsky named
14 this reprogrammer "the stinger."

15 16. Step 3 involved NDS distributing these illegally reprogrammed and
16 pirated EchoStar Access Cards to the pirating community in a "controlled"
17 manner.⁷ To accomplish this, NDS, via Tarnovsky, enlisted the assistance of Allen
18 Menard⁸ and his hacker website, www.dr7.com. With the assistance of NDS and
19 Tarnovsky, Menard set up a "controlled" distribution network consisting of a
20 limited number of dealers through which NDS and Tarnovsky could traffic and
21 distribute the reprogrammed and pirated EchoStar Access Cards. Through these
22 distribution dealers – Dave Dawson, Shawn Quinn, Andre Sergei, Todd Dale, and
23 Stanley Frost, among others – NDS, Tarnovsky, and Menard could "control" the

24 ⁷ It was during the early stages of Step 3 that NDS informed DirecTV that the CAS provider
25 DirecTV was considering switching to (*i.e.*, Plaintiffs' Security System) in lieu of the NDS
26 system it was currently using, had been compromised. Based on this, DirecTV renewed its
contract with NDS as their CAS provider.

27 ⁸ April 16, 1999 NDS Letter from Ray Adams to Hasak concerning, among other things, a piracy
28 investigation of www.dr7.com and "DR7" [Menard]. Adams states, "[s]omewhere in the loop
appears PINKERTON investigative Service. They at one time worked for IRDeto as well as
other companies. There is talk that an agency is investigating DR7[Menard]."

1 number of pirated EchoStar Access Cards that were being distributed to the pirating
2 public.

3 17. In addition to Dawson, Quinn, Sergei, Dale, and Frost, among others,
4 Menard and Tarnovsky approached other individuals to help facilitate and promote
5 the overriding NDS conspiracy. Specifically, in April 1999, and then again in
6 November 1999, Menard approached Reginald Scullion with an offer to participate
7 in the "DISH Network" hack and distribution scheme. During these conversations,
8 Menard informed Scullion that, among other things: (a) NDS was behind the
9 EchoStar hack; (b) the Tarnovsky/Menard distribution model would be protected
10 and controlled by NDS; (c) NDS had an arrangement with Tarnovsky to provide the
11 technical and software support and facilitate the hacked EchoStar ROM Code to be
12 sent to Menard and used in the distribution network; and (d) NDS would protect
13 this distribution network from potential RCMP raids.

14 18. NDS and Tarnovsky were able to control the distribution of these
15 pirated EchoStar Access Cards because the "stinger" developed by NDS and
16 Tarnovsky, and subsequently provided to Menard, would only reprogram a
17 predetermined number of Access Cards before it would lock up.⁹ At that point,
18 Menard would send cash payments to Tarnovsky in California, via a forwarding
19 mailbox Tarnovsky set up in Texas, which was concealed inside of various
20 consumer electronic products (e.g., CD and DVD players).¹⁰ Once Tarnovsky
21 received these cash payments, Tarnovsky would write a program which would
22 reactivate the "stinger" enabling the device to begin reprogramming a

23 ⁹ For a complete discussion of the methods and manner in which NDS retained and/or exerted
24 control over its hacker agents and distribution network, see Plaintiffs' RICO causes of action
infra.

25 ¹⁰ Eventually, the method of payments from Menard to NDS and Tarnovsky was discovered by
26 U.S. Customs officials who launched an investigation into Tarnovsky's activities of satellite
27 piracy and money laundering. Notably, when this investigation lead to a raid on Tarnovsky's
28 California home in 2001, NDS executive John Norris immediately informed Customs' officials
that Tarnovsky was an NDS employee, all the equipment [used for satellite piracy] in
Tarnovsky's home belonged to NDS, and officials were not to question Tarnovsky or search
Tarnovsky's home without NDS's counsel being present.

1 predetermined number of Access Cards until the limit was reached again. NDS,
2 Tarnovsky, and Menard continued with this method of controlled distribution for
3 over a year. Through this method, NDS and Tarnovsky were able to effectively
4 “CONTROL” the piracy of Plaintiffs’ Security System because they were the *only*
5 *ones* capable of reprogramming or “pirating” an EchoStar Smart Card – such
6 reprogramming being accomplished via NDS and Tarnovsky’s “stinger.”

7 19. Step 4 involved NDS releasing the instructions and procedures
8 necessary to obtain Plaintiffs’ ROM and EEPROM Codes directly to the pirating
9 community in an effort to destroy NDS’s only viable competitor. Up until this
10 point, NDS concealed Plaintiffs’ proprietary information from the hacking public in
11 furtherance of the NDS objective to “CONTROL” the piracy of Plaintiffs’ Security
12 System. However, during the period when NDS, Tarnovsky, and Menard operated
13 the monopoly of the piracy of Plaintiffs’ Security System, Plaintiffs began to
14 engage in countermeasures to combat their piracy problem. Specifically, Plaintiffs
15 employed various Electronic Counter Measures (ECMs) in attempts to disable the
16 pirated Access Cards that were being provided by NDS, via Tarnovsky and
17 Menard.

18 20. As evidenced by a significant number of chat posts cited herein, the
19 end user pirates obtaining reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards from NDS, via
20 Tarnovsky and Menard, became discontent with the inability of these pirated
21 Access Cards to withstand Plaintiffs’ ECMs. Specifically, with the
22 “CONTROLLED” distribution network designed and implemented by, among
23 others, NDS, Tarnovsky, and Menard, end users who purchased one of these
24 reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards had to send them back to
25 Menard/Tarnovsky, either directly or through dealers Dawson, Quinn, Sergei, Dale,
26 and Frost, among others, for “fixes” or “updates” each time Plaintiffs launched an
27 ECM to disable the pirated Access Cards. Eventually, the NDS, Tarnovsky, and
28 Menard “CONTROLLED” distribution network was unable to effectively keep up

1 with the ECMs employed by Plaintiffs to disable the pirated EchoStar Access Cards
2 being reprogrammed, marketed and distributed by Defendants Tarnovsky, Menard,
3 Dawson, Quinn, Dale, Frost, Sergei, Dale, Bruce and Sommerfield. Additionally, as
4 NDS, Tarnovsky, and Menard had already made an obscene amount of illegal
5 revenue through the trafficking of these pirated Access Cards, NDS “pulled the
6 trigger” on Step 4 of their overriding conspiracy to destroy Plaintiffs as a
7 competitor in the DBS and CAS marketplaces.

8 21. Indeed, on December 23 and 24, 2000, NDS, Tarnovsky and Menard,
9 for the first time, effectuated and assisted others in effectuating a wide-spread
10 compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system. On these dates, using the
11 nickname “nIpPeR¹¹ cLaUz 00’,” among others, under the direction and control of
12 NDS, and with NDS’s full knowledge and ratification, Tarnovsky posted for the
13 first time a sequence of events and data, along with accompanying instructional
14 code, that provided satellite pirates around the world the “road map” and requisite
15 instructions for: (a) the full dump of Plaintiffs’ secret ROM Code; (b) the full
16 dump of Plaintiffs’ EEPROM Code and accompanying secret keys; and (c) the
17 instructions on how to internally ‘hack’ or access Plaintiffs’ microprocessor thereby
18 granting the ability to ‘read’ and ‘write’ to Plaintiffs’ Access Cards. In essence,
19 Tarnovsky’s December 23 and 24, 2000, postings provided hackers, for the first
20 time, with the ‘Exploit key’ or method necessary to gain access to Plaintiffs’
21 microprocessor and subsequently read and write to Plaintiffs’ Access Cards.
22 Tarnovsky posted the foregoing, which was illegally obtained by NDS in its Haifa,
23 Israel lab and sent to Tarnovsky in California, via Hasak and Norris, with the
24 specific instructions to effectuate and assist others in effectuating a wide-spread

25 ¹¹ The name “NiPpEr” used by Tarnovsky to post Plaintiffs’ proprietary information is
26 significant. Specifically, when Plaintiffs’ Security System was developed, NagraStar’s engineers
27 concealed the term “NiPpEr” in the very heart of the secret ROM Code to serve as a unique
28 identifier for Plaintiffs’ Code. Accordingly, when Tarnovsky used this name when providing the
detailed instructions on how to fully dump Plaintiffs’ secret EEPROM and ROM Codes, he was
revealing to Plaintiffs that he had in fact already seen Plaintiffs’ secret codes which were
transmitted to him from NDS’s Haifa facility to Tarnovsky in California via Hasak and Norris.

1 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system, on the Internet website
2 www.piratesden.com. And, as a direct and immediate result of NDS/Tarnovsky's
3 December 2000 posts, a public hack of Plaintiffs' Security System was made
4 available within days resulting in NDS's intended goal of effectuating and
5 facilitating others in effectuating the uncontrollable and widespread compromise of
6 Plaintiffs' Security System. With this assistance, satellite pirates around the world
7 now had all the requisite proprietary information that was once secured in
8 Plaintiffs' microprocessor. Specifically, with this December 23 and 24, 2000,
9 assistance by NDS, Tarnovsky, and Menard, among others, satellite pirates were
10 then able to build their own card reprogrammers and, thus, were able to break free
11 from their dependence on NDS, Tarnovsky and Menard, among others, for
12 obtaining reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards. As a direct and intended result of
13 Tarnovsky's December 23 and 24, 2000, posts, for the first time satellite pirates
14 around the world were able to design and implement various public (and additional
15 private) 'hacks' of Plaintiffs' security system within a matter of months.
16 Consequently, NDS's goal of effectuating and assisting others in effectuating the
17 wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' Security System began to rapidly
18 materialize.

19 22. As a result of the conduct alleged herein, particularly the December 23
20 and 24, 2000, postings by Tarnovsky with the assistance and direction of NDS,
21 Plaintiffs have suffered and will continue to suffer substantial damages.
22 Particularly, *the December 23 and 24, 2000, postings by NDS/Tarnovsky put at risk*
23 *over 7.6 million of Plaintiffs' Access Cards already distributed in the marketplace.*
24 *Consequently, Step 4 of the NDS conspiracy rendered a global card-swap by*
25 *Plaintiffs unavoidable.*

26 23. The anticompetitive method in which NDS conspired to, and did,
27 launch an invasive attack on Plaintiffs' conditional access system and subsequently
28 designed and implemented the wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' Security

1 System shocks the conscience of modern-day capitalism and basic tenets of lawful
2 competition. The unlawful acts engaged in by Defendants in furtherance of the
3 overriding NDS conspiracy form the backdrop of an unprecedented level of
4 corporate espionage and are illustrative of nothing less than high risk corporate
5 financed organized crime. The time has finally come for NDS to answer for its
6 actions.

7 **II. JURISDICTION & VENUE**

8 24. Jurisdiction and venue are proper in this court. This Court has original
9 federal question subject matter jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. §§
10 1331 and 1338, the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §
11 605(e)(3)(A), the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 1203, the
12 Electronic Communications Privacy Act (“Federal Wiretap Laws”), 18 U.S.C.
13 §2520(a), the Lanham Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051 *et seq.*, the Racketeer
14 Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (“RICO”), 18 U.S.C. § 1965(b), and 15
15 U.S.C. § 1121(a). Alternatively, this Court has subject matter jurisdiction of this
16 action under 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a)(1) by virtue of the complete diversity of
17 citizenship of the parties in an action in which the matter in controversy exceeds the
18 sum or value of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs. This Court also has
19 supplemental jurisdiction, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1367(a), over the California state
20 law claims asserted herein.

21 25. Personal jurisdiction and venue are proper in this judicial district
22 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b), (c), and (d), 18 U.S.C. § 1965(a), (b), and (d),
23 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(k)(1) and (2). Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1965,
24 Plaintiffs allege that (1) Defendants have engaged in a multi-district conspiracy, (2)
25 this Court has personal jurisdiction of at least one participant, and (3) there is no
26 other District in which the United States District Court would have personal
27 jurisdiction over all the co-conspirators. In addition the Alien Venue Act, 28 U.S.C.
28 Section 1391(d) provides that “an alien may be sued in any district.” Venue is

1 additionally proper in this District and all Defendants named herein are subject to *in*
2 *personam* jurisdiction in this District because each Defendant has made repeated
3 and substantial contacts with this judicial district by, *inter alia*, providing assistance
4 to NDS and/or Tarnovsky in this District in serving their role in the overriding NDS
5 conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
6 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system. Further, venue is proper in
7 this District because a substantial part of the events giving rise to Plaintiffs' claims.
8 Defendants have further advertised, solicited orders from and/or sent satellite
9 pirating equipment and/or proceeds unlawfully obtained through the trafficking in
10 satellite pirating equipment through interstate commerce to this State.

11 26. Defendants Menard, Dawson, Dale, Quinn, Frost, Sergei, Bruce and
12 Sommerfield are additionally subject to the Court *in personam* jurisdiction as a
13 direct result of their operation, participation and maintenance of their websites
14 including www.dr7.com; www.thenewfrontier.com; www.discountsatellite.com;
15 www.dsscanada.com; www.hitecsatellite.com; www.hitecsat.com; and
16 www.koinvision.com. Through the aforementioned websites, which were
17 accessible within the State of California, among others, these Defendants
18 advertised, marketed, promoted, sold, trafficked in and supported illegally altered,
19 modified, pirated and reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards and other
20 circumvention devices to individuals and entities within the State of California,
21 among others.

22 **III. PARTIES & RELATIONSHIP TO PLAINTIFFS' SUIT**

23 27. Plaintiff NagraStar L.L.C. ("NagraStar") is a joint venture and
24 Colorado corporation with its principal place of business at 90 Inverness Circle
25 East, Englewood, Colorado 80112.

26 28. Plaintiff EchoStar Communications Corporation ("ECC") is a Nevada
27 corporation with its principal place of business at 9601 South Meridian Blvd.,
28 Englewood, Colorado 80112. ECC is the corporate parent of EchoStar Satellite

1 Corporation and EchoStar Technologies Corporation, and is a fifty-percent owner
2 of NagraStar L.L.C.

3 29. Plaintiff EchoStar Satellite L.L.C., (“ES”) f/k/a EchoStar Satellite
4 Corporation, is a Colorado corporation and subsidiary corporation of Plaintiff
5 EchoStar Communications Corporation with its principal place of business at 9601
6 South Meridian Blvd., Englewood, Colorado 80112.

7 30. Plaintiff EchoStar Technologies Corporation (ETC”) is a Texas
8 corporation that is a wholly owned subsidiary of ECC. Plaintiff ETC has its
9 principal place of business at 90 Inverness Circle East, Englewood, Colorado
10 80112.

11 31. Defendant NDS Group, PLC (“NDS Group”) is incorporated under the
12 laws of England and Wales, with its registered address for service at One London
13 Road, Staines, Middlesex, England TW18 4EX and its U.S. agent for service of
14 process is Arthur Siskind c/o The News Corporation Limited, 1211 Avenue of the
15 Americas, New York, New York.

16 32. Defendant NDS Americas, Inc. (“NDS Americas”) is a Delaware
17 Corporation with its principal place of business in Newport Beach, California, and
18 its registered agent for service of process is John Workman, 3501 Jamboree Road,
19 Suite 200, Newport Beach, California.

20 33. Defendant John Norris a/k/a “JN” (“Norris”) is an individual and
21 citizen of the United States, residing in California, who was employed by NDS at
22 all relevant times stated herein. During all times relevant as stated herein, Norris
23 was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct and/or indirect
24 control of NDS, and with NDS’s full knowledge and/or ratification, as well as for
25 his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS
26 conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
27 compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system; or (b) working in concert with
28 NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding NDS

1 conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
2 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

3 34. Norris is the Vice President of Special Projects for NDS Americas,
4 Inc. and is the Head of Security for NDS North America. Norris recruited and hired
5 satellite hackers Christopher Tarnovsky ("Tarnovsky"), Oliver Kommerling
6 ("Kommerling"), Plamen Donev ("Donev"), and Vesselin Nedeltchev
7 ("Nedeltchev"), among others, for Rupert Murdoch, in or about 1997, for the
8 purpose of gaining intelligence in the pirate world and to control them due to their
9 impact on NDS's vulnerable market position in conditional access technology.
10 From approximately 1997 to present date, Norris has maintained close relationships
11 with all of the satellite hackers recruited and hired by NDS, specifically Tarnovsky
12 and Kommerling.

13 35. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that Norris, Tarnovsky, and Hasak
14 attended a meeting on or about 1999, whereby the full DISH Network secret ROM
15 and EEPROM codes were given to Tarnovsky. The origination of the hack of the
16 full DISH Network secret ROM and EEPROM codes was at NDS's Matam
17 laboratory located in Haifa, Israel.

18 36. On February 9, 2001, U.S. Customs officials raided Tarnovsky's
19 California residence based on information and evidence obtained by them during an
20 investigation of Tarnovsky's involvement with satellite piracy and money
21 laundering. Shortly after entry of Tarnovsky's residence, Norris informed U.S.
22 Customs officials that (1) Tarnovsky was, in fact, a NDS employee, (2) all property
23 located at Tarnovsky's California residence belonged to and was NDS's property,
24 and (3) U.S. Customs officials were not permitted to search Tarnovsky's California
25 residence or speak to Tarnovsky without NDS's counsel present.

26 37. Defendant Reuven Hasak a/k/a "RH" ("Hasak") is an individual and
27 citizen of Israel, residing in Israel. During all times relevant as stated herein,
28 Hasak was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct and/or

1 indirect control of NDS, and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification, as well
2 as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS
3 conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
4 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system; or (b) working in concert with
5 NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding NDS
6 conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
7 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

8 38. Hasak is Head of Security for NDS in Haifa, Israel. Hasak is a former
9 deputy of the Shin Bet, the Israeli internal security service. Hasak is fully aware of
10 NDS's problems associated with the conditional access technology of its security
11 system in that it is insecure and easily hacked. Hasak is fully aware of NDS's
12 efforts and plan to "CONTROL" satellite piracy by recruiting and hiring known
13 satellite pirates to work as double agents on NDS assignments. Hasak, Norris,
14 Adams, Gutman, and Segoli conspired with the satellite pirates NDS hired
15 including, but not limited to, Tarnovsky, Kommerling, Donev, and Nedeltchev,
16 among others, to (1) illegally obtain and extract NDS's competitors' ROM codes
17 and keys, (2) illegally design, manufacture, and distribute signal theft devices used
18 to circumvent the technological encryption measures contained in satellite
19 providers' access cards for the unauthorized reception of satellite television
20 programming, (3) illegally provide software, information, and technical support
21 services relating to satellite providers' access cards and other circumvention or
22 signal theft devices designed to enable users to illegally modify satellite providers'
23 access cards, and (4) illegally facilitate the wide-spread distribution of NDS's
24 competitors' proprietary codes and keys by publishing same on the Internet.

25 39. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that Hasak gave both the full
26 Canal+ ROM Code, as with Plaintiffs' ROM Code, to Norris with specific
27 instructions to give to Tarnovsky for the use and purpose to (1) design,
28 manufacture, and distribute to Menard signal theft devices used to circumvent the

1 technological encryption measures contained in Canal+'s access cards, as with
2 Plaintiffs' Access Cards, (2) provide software, information, and technical support
3 services relating to Canal+'s ROM Code and access cards, as with Plaintiffs' ROM
4 Code and Access Cards, and (3) facilitate the wide-spread distribution on the
5 Internet of the Canal+ ROM code, as with Plaintiffs' ROM Code. Tarnovsky
6 followed Hasak's and Norris's instructions of designing, manufacturing, and
7 distributing to Menard such signal theft devices, providing software, information,
8 and technical support services related to same, and posting both (1) Canal+'s ROM
9 code on www.dr7.com on March 26, 1999, and (2) Plaintiffs' ROM Code on
10 www.piratesden.com on December 24, 2000, which Tarnovsky states this is the
11 "full ECHO ROM dump" and it's "DR7's [Menard's] code."

12 40. Hasak was also aware of the real and credible threat to NDS, by its
13 competitor NagraVision, for providing DirecTV's conditional access system should
14 NDS be unable to compete due to its security system being insecure and easily
15 hacked. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that it was the perceived threat to
16 NDS's business by NagraStar that caused NDS to (1) illegally obtain and extract
17 Nagra's ROM code and keys, (2) design, manufacture, and distribute Pirated
18 EchoStar Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices for the
19 unauthorized reception of EchoStar's DISH Network satellite television
20 programming, (3) provide software, information, and technical support services
21 relating to Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or Signal
22 Theft Devices, and (4) facilitate the widespread distribution of the Nagra ROM
23 code on the Internet. The mission of NDS's international conspiracy was initiated
24 by NDS employees Hasak, Norris, Adams, Gutman, and Segoli, among others, and
25 implemented by NDS employees and/or agents Kommerling, Tarnovsky, and
26 Menard, among others.

27 41. Defendant Oliver Kommerling a/k/a "Alex," "ALEX," "Alexander,"
28 "Oli," "Oli K," "Oliver Kiss," and "OK" ("Kommerling") is an individual and

1 citizen of Germany, residing in Monaco. During all times relevant as stated herein,
2 Kommerling was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct
3 and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification,
4 as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the
5 overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a
6 wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system; or (b) working in
7 concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding
8 NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
9 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

10 42. Kommerling has admitted that he worked as a consultant for NDS
11 since mid-1996. In early 1997, Kommerling helped establish NDS's Matam Centre
12 research facility in Haifa, Israel in addition to recruiting and training all NDS
13 Matam engineers.

14 43. In 1999, Kommerling and Markus Kuhn co-wrote "Design Principles
15 for Tamper Resistant Smartcards." This publication became one of the standard
16 texts on how to "reverse engineer" a state-of-the-art smartcard by using certain
17 techniques including, but not limited to, acid treatments, microscopic probes, laser
18 cutting, and ion beam manipulation, among others.

19 44. Since 1996 and at all time relevant as stated herein, Kommerling
20 worked as a double agent for NDS, in a similar manner as Tarnovsky. NDS placed
21 Kommerling under deep cover in NDS's effort to maintain Kommerling's outward
22 appearance as an underground hacker/satellite pirate. In an effort to create a
23 "legitimate" outward appearance for Kommerling, a known satellite hacker and
24 pirate, NDS and Kommerling formed the company ADSR. ADSR was a
25 corporation engaged in the semi-conductor business with NDS owning 40% of the
26 shares and Kommerling owning 60% of the shares. Concerning his hacking activity
27 with NDS, Kommerling made a declaration in the *Canal+ v. NDS et al.* litigation
28 which stated, among other things, that Kommerling helped NDS obtain Canal+

1 Access Cards and assisted in physically extracting the Canal+'s SECA ROM code
2 contained therein. Kommerling further declared that the code he assisted NDS in
3 extracting was the same code that was published on www.dr7.com, the website
4 owned, operated, and maintained by Menard. Specifically, Kommerling's
5 declaration accuses NDS's double agent Tarnovsky of publishing the Canal+ SECA
6 ROM code on the Internet.

7 45. During a meeting between Tarnovsky and Kommerling, Tarnovsky
8 openly admitted to Kommerling that (1) Tarnovsky received Plaintiffs' ROM Code
9 from Hasak via Norris, and (2) Tarnovsky was instructed to, and did send
10 Plaintiffs' ROM Code to Menard.

11 46. In August 1997, Kommerling contacted Marty Mullen (a/k/a Martin
12 "Marty" Paul Stewart) ("Mullen") by telephone, and introduced himself as "Ollie."
13 During this first conversation, Kommerling represented to Mullen that (1)
14 Kommerling was the first person to have a fix for DirecTV's F-card, (2)
15 Kommerling had also compromised DirecTV's H-card, and (3) Kommerling would
16 have the "DISH Network fix" very shortly. Kommerling further stated that he had
17 information that Mullen, and others acting in concert with Mullen, were planning to
18 release a software fix for DirecTV's H-card to the public. Kommerling stated that
19 if Mullen would help him out and not release the software fix for DirecTV's H-card
20 to the public just yet, Kommerling would assist Mullen in the future with DirecTV
21 software, and as a bonus, include the "DISH Network fix" once Kommerling had it
22 completed. Kommerling e-mailed his contact information to Mullen for his future
23 contact reference.

24 47. Shortly thereafter, Mullen contacted Kommerling to discuss
25 Kommerling's initial offer. During this second conversation, Kommerling stated
26 that the "DISH Network fix" was being extracted at a sophisticated laboratory in
27 Europe and that it was near completion. Kommerling also informed Mullen that
28 Kommerling was involved in establishing this new state-of-the-art laboratory that

1 could hack anything related to DISH Network. In exchange for Mullen not
2 releasing the full software fix for DirecTV's H-card, Kommerling represented that
3 he was authorized to offer Mullen an exclusive deal to distribute the software for
4 both DirecTV and DISH Network.

5 48. In February 1998, Kommerling contacted Mullen and requested that a
6 meeting be scheduled to discuss the exclusive deal for software fixes for both
7 DirecTV and DISH Network. During this third conversation, Kommerling
8 represented that the "DISH Network fix" had been completed and all relevant codes
9 extracted. Kommerling further advised Mullen and that a partner of Kommerling's
10 nicknamed "Yanni" [John Luyando] would be contacting Mullen to arrange a
11 meeting.

12 49. During a meeting between Menard and Ron Ereiser, among others, on
13 or about March 8, 2001, Menard admitted to Ereiser that Kommerling also
14 approached Menard in the summer of 1998 and offered to sell Menard the full
15 Nagra ROM code for EchoStar's Access Cards for \$1,000,000. During this same
16 meeting with Kommerling, Menard admitted to Ereiser that Menard was also told
17 how the ROM dump was acquired and witnessed a demonstration of a working
18 "ECHO hack."

19 50. Defendant John Luyando a/k/a "Yanni," "Jellyfish," and "Blaster
20 ("Luyando") is an individual and citizen of the United States, residing in Norwalk,
21 Connecticut. During all times relevant as stated herein, Luyando was either: (a)
22 working for, at the direction of, and under the direct and/or indirect control of NDS,
23 and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification, as well as for his own individual
24 interest and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate
25 and/or facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs'
26 conditional access system; or (b) working in concert with NDS, its employees
27 and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and
28 facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional

1 access system.

2 51. On March 13, 1998, at the direction of NDS and Kommerling,
3 Luyando met with Mullen, Archie Timuik and Joseph Lucker in Windsor, Ontario
4 to discuss Kommerling's authority to offer the "DISH Network fix," among other
5 things. During this meeting Luyando represented to Mullen that Luyando was
6 Kommerling's partner, that Luyando had Kommerling's full permission to
7 negotiate with Mullen, and that Kommerling was authorized to sell Mullen the
8 "DISH Network fix." During this meeting, at the direction of NDS and
9 Kommerling, Luyando offered Mullen the full DISH Network "ROM dump" for
10 "\$1,000,000 USD." Luyando assured Mullen that he would be the *only* person with
11 the fix and that he could "run with this for a long time." Luyando further
12 represented to Mullen that the DISH Network ROM dump was acquired by
13 Kommerling in a highly sophisticated laboratory. Concerning software,
14 information, and technical support services, Luyando represented that Kommerling
15 had access to "the most sophisticated equipment on the planet" and that the
16 proceeds from the sale of the "DISH Network fix" were going to be "reinvested
17 into more equipment that would help us all keep up with any new card swaps with
18 DISH Network." Luyando informed Mullen that NDS, through Kommerling,
19 instructed him to deal with Mullen first concerning a possible purchase of the
20 "DISH Network fix," but that if Mullen was not interested, to approach others with
21 the offer.

22 52. Defendant Plamen Donev a/k/a "Pluto," "Pman," "Digital," "Alien,"
23 "VIP," "Sadman," "Bolger," or "Bulgarian" ("Donev") is an individual and citizen
24 of Bulgaria, residing in Sofia, Bulgaria. During all times relevant as stated herein,
25 Donev was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct and/or
26 indirect control of NDS, and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification, as well
27 as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS
28 conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread

1 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system; or (b) working in concert with
2 NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding NDS
3 conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
4 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

5 53. Defendant Vesselin Nedelchev a/k/a "Vesco," "VIP," "Bolger,"
6 "Vaseline," or "Bulgarian" ("Nedelchev") is an individual and citizen of Bulgaria,
7 residing in Kazanlak, Bulgaria. During all times relevant as stated herein,
8 Nedelchev was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct
9 and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification,
10 as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the
11 overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a
12 wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system; or (b) working in
13 concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding
14 NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
15 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

16 54. Defendant Christopher Tarnovsky a/k/a "Von," "Mike George,"
17 "MIKE," "Mikey," "Shrimp," "da Shrimp," "Code," "Ripper," "da Ripper Code,"
18 "Arthur von Neuman," "Arti," "von," "von rat," "Mr. Bean," "Big Gun," "biggun,"
19 "BG," "Scatman," "Tarnovsc," "Nipper," "Nipper Clauze," "Nipper Clauze 00',"
20 "Nipper Clauze 2000," "Swiss Cheeze Group," "Swiss Cheese Productions," "SCP,"
21 "Coleman," "xbr21," and "lawless1" ("Tarnovsky") is an individual and citizen of
22 the United States, residing in California. During all times relevant as stated herein,
23 Tarnovsky was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct
24 and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification,
25 as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the
26 overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a
27 wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system; or (b) working in
28 concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding

1 NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
2 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

3 55. Tarnovsky is a self-admitted hacker in the satellite industry and is
4 believed to have designed the first "battery cards," the first pirate technology and
5 signal theft device used to receive and satellite television programming signals
6 without authorization.

7 56. Tarnovsky has been an employee of companies linked to the News
8 Corporation, the holding company for NDS, including HarperCollins Publishers in
9 New York, although Tarnovsky never lived in New York and, in reality, was
10 working for NDS as early as 1997.

11 57. Upon the instruction of NDS, Tarnovsky developed countermeasures
12 for NDS which were sold by NDS to DirecTV in order to counter-attack pirated
13 DirecTV Access Cards. Tarnovsky was also an informant, or double agent, for
14 NDS and supplied NDS with information on piracy of its Access Cards. On behalf
15 of NDS, and with their full knowledge, consent, instruction, and control, Tarnovsky
16 continued to receive money from Allen Menard and the West E3M group of
17 hackers and satellite pirates for his sale of software, devices, and secret codes that
18 permit programming of pirated Access Cards for illegal access to the DISH
19 Network. Tarnovsky also assisted with facilitating piracy over the internet by
20 offering patches in codes and software for illegally disabling and circumventing
21 Plaintiffs' Electronic Counter Measures ("ECMs").

22 58. Tarnovsky has been employed by NDS as a double agent from as early
23 as 1997. Tarnovsky's role as NDS's double agent was to infiltrate hacking
24 organizations and to report satellite piracy information back to NDS. However,
25 upon going to work for NDS, Tarnovsky never stopped his hacking activities,
26 which NDS is fully aware of, and is one of the main reasons he was hired by NDS.
27 Upon NDS's instruction, including that by Norris, Hasak, Adams, and Gutman,
28 Tarnovsky would obtain conditional access codes for NDS's competitors from NDS

1 and then Tarnovsky would make these codes available to Menard, owner and
2 proprietor of the www.dr7.com website, for financial gain – and ultimately
3 publication. Tarnovsky was paid by NDS for his double agent work, approximately
4 \$10,000 per month, in addition to being paid by hackers for his continued hacking
5 activities, of which NDS was fully aware and openly acknowledge.

6 59. NDS, through Norris, Hasak, Adams, and Gutman, among others, were
7 all kept well informed about the double agent role of Tarnovsky and sanctioned all
8 of his hacking activities of EchoStar/NagraStar's Security System. On or about
9 October 31, 1999, Tarnovsky posted on the DR7 pirate chat forum concerning
10 EchoStar/NagraStar that "Echo is in bed with Nagra and will use same ROM for all
11 their cards around the world." On December 24, 2000, using the nickname
12 "nIpPeR cLaUz 00'," and under the direction and control of NDS, and with NDS's
13 full knowledge and ratification, Tarnovsky posted a sequence of events and data,
14 along with accompanying instructional code, that provided satellite pirates around
15 the world the 'road map' and requisite instructions for the dump of Plaintiffs' entire
16 EEPROM Code. Tarnovsky posted the foregoing, which was illegally obtained by
17 NDS in its Haifa, Israel lab and sent to Tarnovsky via Hasak and Norris with the
18 specific instructions to effectuate and assist others in effectuating a wide spread
19 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system, on the Internet website
20 www.piratesden.com. In addition to allowing these satellite pirates to procure a
21 dump of Plaintiffs' ROM and EEPROM Codes and accompanying secret keys, the
22 December 23 and 24, 2000 postings and assistance provided by NDS, Tarnovsky
23 and Menard, among others, also provided these same hackers with the necessary
24 instructional codes and commands to gain unlawful access to the internal workings
25 of the embedded microprocessor and 'read' and 'write' to same. With this
26 assistance, satellite pirates around the world now had the all the requisite
27 proprietary information once secured in Plaintiffs' microprocessor. Specifically,
28 with this December 23 and 24, 2000, assistance by NDS, Tarnovsky and Menard,

1 among others, satellite pirates were then able to build their own card
2 reprogrammers and, thus, were able to break free from their dependence on NDS,
3 Tarnovsky and Menard, among others, for obtaining reprogrammed EchoStar
4 Access Cards. Consequently, NDS's goal of effectuating and assisting others in
5 effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' security system began to
6 rapidly materialize.

7 60. Upon information and belief, discovery will reveal that Tarnovsky
8 continued to provide assistance and/or facilitation of the unlawful piracy of
9 Plaintiffs' DISH Network signal up through and including June 25, 2003 – shortly
10 after Plaintiffs' filed the instant action.

11 61. Defendant Allen Don Juan Menard a/k/a "Al," "dr7," "Darth7,"
12 "Kelly," and "Bricklayer" d/b/a "X-Factor Design, Inc." and "NCRYPT"
13 ("Menard") is an individual and citizen of Canada, residing in Edmonton, Alberta.
14 During all times relevant as stated herein, Menard was either: (a) working for, at
15 the direction of, and under the direct and/or indirect control of NDS, and with
16 NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification, as well as for his own individual interest
17 and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or
18 facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional
19 access system; or (b) working in concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in
20 serving his role in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others
21 in effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

22 62. Menard is a close personal friend, and business partner, of Tarnovsky.
23 Menard, using the fictitious name "Al" and "DR7" and doing business as "X-Factor
24 Design, Inc.," "NCRYPT," "Hi-Fi Audio Exchange," and "Regency Audio" is the
25 owner of the www.dr7.com pirate website which served as a meeting and
26 discussion forum of satellite pirates worldwide. Menard's website also served as
27 Menard's business, among others, and were operated and utilized as an *alter ego* of
28 Menard, and others currently unknown to Plaintiffs, for the purpose of furthering

1 Defendants' scheme to defraud Plaintiffs. Menard unlawfully published the master
2 keys and ROM and EEPROM Codes on www.dr7.com of the following satellite
3 providers: DirecTV, Canal+, and DISH Network. Menard received these
4 proprietary Codes from NDS through Tarnovsky acting on behalf of and under the
5 control and direction of NDS. Menard's website continued to provide assistance
6 and support to satellite pirates around the world in furtherance of NDS's objectives
7 until approximately June 21, 2001, the date in which www.dr7.com was shut down.

8 63. Upon information and belief, discovery will reveal that Menard
9 continued to provide assistance and/or facilitation for the unlawful piracy of
10 Plaintiffs' DISH Network signal up through and including June 21, 2001, when he
11 shut down his website www.dr7.com.

12 64. Defendant Linda Wilson is an individual and citizen of Canada,
13 residing in Edmonton, Alberta. During all times relevant as stated herein, Wilson
14 was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct and/or indirect
15 control of NDS, and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification, as well as for
16 her own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS
17 conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
18 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system; or (b) working in concert with
19 NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding NDS
20 conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
21 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

22 65. Wilson was the Registrant for the domain name of Menard's pirate
23 website, "www.dr7.com." Wilson is also listed as the Billing Contact and
24 Administrative Contact for Menard's company, X-Factor Web Design, Inc., at
25 11215 Jasper Ave. NW, Suite 435, Edmonton, Alberta Canada T5K 0L5.

26 66. Upon information and belief, discovery will reveal that Wilson
27 continued to provide assistance and/or facilitation for the unlawful piracy of
28 Plaintiffs' DISH Network signal up through and including June 21, 2001, when the

1 website www.dr7.com was shut down.

2 67. Defendant Mervin Main a/k/a “Rymer” (“Main”) is an individual and
3 citizen of Canada, residing in Edmonton, Alberta Canada. During all times relevant
4 as stated herein, Main was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under
5 the direct and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS’s full knowledge and/or
6 ratification, as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in
7 the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a
8 wide spread compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system; or (b) working in
9 concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding
10 NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
11 compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system.

12 68. Main, using the fictitious name of “Rymer,” worked for Menard and
13 his company, X-Factor Design. Main’s job responsibilities included trafficking,
14 conspiring to traffic, and/or assisting others in the trafficking of illegal drugs,
15 Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices,
16 and currencies related to illegal drugs and illegal signal theft devices. On or about
17 August 30, 2001, concerning Tarnovsky’s receipt of \$40,100 from his mailbox
18 address in San Marcos, Texas, a report from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police’s
19 Latent Fingerprints Operations positively identified the fingerprints lifted from the
20 “Pioneer DVD” player and the “JVC DISC” to Main. These monies, among others,
21 were payment from Menard to Tarnovsky (via Main) for Tarnovsky’s assistance in
22 designing, manufacturing, altering, and reprogramming EchoStar Access Cards or
23 other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices and providing software, information,
24 and technical support services for the continued maintenance of illegal Pirated
25 EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices.

26 69. Upon information and belief, discovery will reveal that Main
27 continued to provide assistance and/or facilitation for the unlawful piracy of
28 Plaintiffs’ DISH Network signal up through and including June 21, 2001 when the

1 website www.dr7.com was shut down.

2 70. Defendant Dave Dawson a/k/a “JD,” “Dave,” or “Jack Daniels” d/b/a
3 “Discount Satellite,” “DiscSat,” or “DSScanada” (“Dawson”) is an individual and
4 citizen of Canada, residing in Edmonton, Alberta. During all times relevant as
5 stated herein, Dawson was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under
6 the direct and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS’s full knowledge and/or
7 ratification, as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in
8 the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a
9 wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system; or (b) working in
10 concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding
11 NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
12 compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system.

13 71. Dawson, using the fictitious names of “JD,” “Jack Daniels,” and
14 “Dave” and doing business as “Discount Satellite,” “DiscSat,” and “DSScanada,”
15 was one of the pirate dealers working under Menard who was involved with selling
16 Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or Signal Theft
17 Devices. Dawson received his Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other
18 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices from Menard and, in turn, acted as a
19 “dealer” and distributed and sold Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other
20 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices for profit. Dawson also advertised the sale
21 of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices
22 in the State of California and elsewhere through advertisements placed by Dawson
23 in one or more “underground” satellite pirate publications, and through his Internet
24 websites, www.discountsatellite.com and www.DSScanada.com, and email
25 addresses created, operated, and maintained by Dawson. Upon information and
26 belief, Discount Satellite, DiscSat, and DSScanada are or were owned, operated,
27 and utilized as an *alter ego* of Dawson, and others currently unknown to Plaintiffs,
28 for the purpose of furthering Defendants’ scheme to defraud Plaintiffs. Dawson

1 engaged in the sale of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or
2 Signal Theft Devices in the United States.

3 72. Dawson continued to engage in the illegal advertisement, sale, and
4 distribution of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal
5 Theft Devices in furtherance of NDS's objectives until approximately May 20,
6 2000, the date in which www.discountsatellite.com was shut down, and until
7 approximately June 19, 2003, the date in which www.dsscana.com was shut
8 down.

9 73. Defendant Shawn Quinn a/k/a "Hitec" d/b/a "HitecSatellite" and
10 "HitecSat" ("Quinn") is an individual and citizen of Canada, residing in British
11 Columbia. During all times relevant as stated herein, Quinn was either: (a)
12 working for, at the direction of, and under the direct and/or indirect control of NDS,
13 and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification, as well as for his own individual
14 interest and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate
15 and/or facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs'
16 conditional access system; or (b) working in concert with NDS, its employees
17 and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and
18 facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional
19 access system.

20 74. Quinn, using the fictitious name "Hitec" and doing business as
21 "HitecSatellite" and "HitecSat," was one of the pirate dealers working under
22 Menard who was selling Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other
23 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices. Quinn received his Pirated EchoStar
24 Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices from Menard
25 and, in turn, acted as a "dealer" and distributed and sold the Pirated EchoStar
26 Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices for profit. Quinn
27 also advertised the sale of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other
28 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices in the State of California and elsewhere

1 through advertisements placed by Quinn in one or more “underground” satellite
2 pirate publications, and through his Internet website, www.hitecsat.com, and email
3 addresses created, operated, and maintained by Quinn. Upon information and
4 belief, “HitecSatellite” and “HitecSat” are or have been operated and utilized as an
5 *alter ego* of Quinn and others currently unknown to Plaintiffs for the purpose of
6 furthering Defendants’ scheme to defraud Plaintiffs. Quinn engaged in the sale of
7 Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices in
8 the United States.

9 75. Quinn continued to engage in the illegal advertisement, sale, and
10 distribution of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal
11 Theft Devices in furtherance of NDS’s objectives until approximately June 19,
12 2003, the date in which www.hitecsat.com was shut down.

13 76. Defendant Andre Sergei a/k/a “Koin” d/b/a “Koinvizion” (“Sergei”) is
14 an individual and citizen of Canada, residing in British Columbia. During all times
15 relevant as stated herein, Sergei was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and
16 under the direct and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS’s full knowledge
17 and/or ratification, as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a
18 participant in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in
19 effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system; or
20 (b) working in concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in
21 the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a
22 wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system.

23 77. Sergei, using the fictitious name “Koin” and doing business as
24 “Koinvizion,” was one of the pirate dealers working under Menard who was selling
25 Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices.
26 Sergei received his Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or
27 Signal Theft Devices from Menard and, in turn, acted as a “dealer” and distributed
28 and sold the Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or Signal

1 Theft Devices for profit. Sergei also advertised the sale of Pirated EchoStar Access
2 Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices in the State of California
3 and elsewhere through advertisements placed by Sergei in one or more
4 “underground” satellite pirate publications, and through his Internet website,
5 www.koinvizion.com, and email addresses created, operated, and maintained by
6 Sergei. Upon information and belief, Koinvizion was owned, operated, and utilized
7 as an *alter ego* of Sergei and others currently unknown to Plaintiffs for the purpose
8 of furthering Defendants’ scheme to defraud Plaintiffs. Sergei engaged in the sale
9 of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices
10 in the United States.

11 78. Sergei continued to engage in the illegal advertisement, sale, and
12 distribution of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal
13 Theft Devices in furtherance of NDS’s objectives until approximately January 28,
14 2001, the date in which www.koinvizion.com was shut down.

15 79. Defendant Stanley Frost a/k/a “Frosty,” “wheels,” “wheels,” d/b/a
16 “The New Frontier Group,” f/k/a “The Blazer Group” (“Frost”) is an individual and
17 citizen of the United State, residing in New York, New York. During all times
18 relevant as stated herein, Frost was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and
19 under the direct and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS’s full knowledge
20 and/or ratification, as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a
21 participant in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in
22 effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system; or
23 (b) working in concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in
24 the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a
25 wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system.

26 80. Frost, using the fictitious name “Frosty” and doing business as “The
27 New Frontier Group,” was one of the pirate dealers working under Menard who
28 was selling Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal

1 Theft Devices. Frost received his Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other
2 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices from Menard and, in turn, acted as a
3 “dealer” and distributed and sold the Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other
4 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices for profit. Frost also advertised the sale of
5 Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices
6 in the State of California and elsewhere through advertisements placed by Frost in
7 one or more “underground” satellite pirate publications, and through his Internet
8 website, www.newfrontiergroup.com, and email addresses created, operated, and
9 maintained by Dawson. Upon information and belief, The New Frontier Group was
10 owned, operated, and utilized as an *alter ego* of Frost, and others currently
11 unknown to Plaintiffs, for the purpose of furthering Defendants’ scheme to defraud
12 Plaintiffs. Frost engaged in the sale of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other
13 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices in the United States.

14 81. Frost continued to engage in the illegal advertisement, sale, and
15 distribution of Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal
16 Theft Devices in furtherance of NDS’s objectives until approximately June 25,
17 2003, the date in which www.newfrontiergroup.com was shut down.

18 82. Defendant Todd Dale (“Dale”) is an individual and citizen of Canada,
19 residing in Edmonton, Alberta. During all times relevant as stated herein, Dale was
20 either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct and/or indirect
21 control of NDS, and with NDS’s full knowledge and/or ratification, as well as for
22 his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS
23 conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
24 compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system; or (b) working in concert with
25 NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding NDS
26 conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
27 compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system.

28 83. Dale was one of the pirate dealers working under Menard who was

1 selling Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft
2 Devices. Dale received his Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other
3 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices from Menard and, in turn, acted as a
4 “dealer” and distributed and sold the Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other
5 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices for profit. Dale engaged in the sale of
6 Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices in
7 the United States.

8 84. Defendant George Tarnovsky a/k/a “George Vladimar,” “Vlad,” and
9 “Joe Zee” (“Tarnovsky Sr.”) is an individual and citizen of the United States,
10 residing in Virginia. During all times relevant as stated herein, Tarnovsky Sr. was
11 either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct and/or indirect
12 control of NDS, and with NDS’s full knowledge and/or ratification, as well as for
13 his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the overriding NDS
14 conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
15 compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system; or (b) working in concert with
16 NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding NDS
17 conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
18 compromise of Plaintiffs’ conditional access system.

19 85. Upon information and belief discovery will also reveal that Tarnovsky
20 Sr., acting under the direction and control of NDS via Norris, took steps to actively
21 conceal his son’s involvement in the wrongdoing alleged herein. Specifically,
22 Plaintiffs are informed and believe that after Norris learned that certain third parties
23 had documentary proof that Tarnovsky was involved in the distribution network,
24 Norris sent Tarnovsky Sr. – acting under the fictitious name “Joe Zee” – to remove
25 and delete all such evidence in the possession of this third party.

26 86. Defendant Brian Sommerfield a/k/a “HeeD” (“Sommerfield”) is an
27 individual and citizen of Canada, residing in British Columbia. During all times
28 relevant as stated herein, Sommerfield was either: (a) working for, at the direction

1 of, and under the direct and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS's full
2 knowledge and/or ratification, as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain,
3 as a participant in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate
4 others in effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access
5 system; or (b) working in concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving
6 his role in the overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in
7 effectuating a wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

8 87. Defendant Ed Bruce a/k/a "Stoxxx" ("Bruce") is an individual and
9 citizen of Canada, residing in British Columbia. During all times relevant as stated
10 herein, Bruce was either: (a) working for, at the direction of, and under the direct
11 and/or indirect control of NDS, and with NDS's full knowledge and/or ratification,
12 as well as for his own individual interest and/or gain, as a participant in the
13 overriding NDS conspiracy to effectuate and/or facilitate others in effectuating a
14 wide-spread compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system; or (b) working in
15 concert with NDS, its employees and/or agents in serving his role in the overriding
16 NDS conspiracy to effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating a wide-spread
17 compromise of Plaintiffs' conditional access system.

18 88. Defendant "Beavis" true identity unknown at this time.

19 89. Defendant "jazzercz" true identity unknown at this time.

20 90. Defendant "Stuntguy" true identity unknown at this time.

21 91. Upon information and belief discovery will reveal that Defendants
22 NDS, NDS Americas, Norris, Hasak, Kommerling, Luyando, Donev, Nedeltchev,
23 Tarnovsky, Menard, Main, Wilson, Dawson, Quinn, Sergei, Frost, Dale, Tarnovsky
24 Sr., Sommerfield, Bruce, "Beavis", "Jazzercz" and "Stuntguy" are still currently in
25 possession of: (a) Plaintiffs' proprietary information including but not limited to
26 proprietary sections of Plaintiffs' ROM code, Plaintiffs' EEPROM code, and/or
27 other proprietary information unlawfully extracted from the microprocessor
28 embedded in Plaintiffs' Access 'Smart' Cards; (b) software, hardware, Pirated

1 EchoStar Access Cards and/or other circumvention or signal theft devices designed
2 to enable users to illegally modify or alter EchoStar Access Cards and/or Plaintiffs'
3 Security System (including, but not limited to, loaders, dead processor boot boards,
4 glitchers, bootloaders, unloopers, emulators, printed circuit boards, programmers,
5 integrated receivers/decoders, Audio Video Replicators "AVRs," AVR wafers,
6 ATMEGA 128s, JTAGs, Digi-Locks, and/or other hardware and software intended
7 for the unlawful and unauthorized modification of and/or access to EchoStar's
8 digital satellite system) (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Circumvention or
9 Signal Theft Devices"); and/or (c) monies or other proceeds unlawfully obtained
10 through the sale/distribution of, or assistance or support provided in connection
11 with, among others, Pirated EchoStar Access Cards and/or other Circumvention or
12 Signal Theft Devices.

13 92. Defendants John Does 1 through 100 are individuals and entities
14 whose names are currently unknown to Plaintiffs and who have acted in concert
15 with Defendants and participated in the acts and practices alleged herein. Upon
16 information and belief, John Does 1 through 100 includes individuals and entities
17 currently located in the United States and Canada, among other locations."
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19 **IV. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NDS AND THE INDIVIDUAL** 20 **DEFENDANTS**

21 **A. Direct Employment Relationship**

22 The following individual Defendants are, and were at all times relevant as
23 stated herein, directors, officers, and/or employees acting under the direction and
24 control of NDS PLC and/or NDS, Americas: (1) Norris; (2) Hasak; (3) Tarnovsky;
25 (4) Tarnovsky, Sr.; (5) Kommerling; (6) Luyando; (7) Donev; and (8) Nedeltchev.

26 **B. Agency Relationship**

27 (1) **Agency/Sub-Agency**: The following individual Defendants
28 were, at all times relevant as stated herein, agents and/or sub-agents of NDS PLC

1 and/or NDS Americas acting at all times under the direct and/or indirect control of
2 NDS (through Norris and/or Tarnovsky) and in furtherance of NDS's ultimate goals
3 of effectuating and/or facilitating others in effectuating the wide-spread
4 compromise of Plaintiffs' security and ultimately eliminating Plaintiffs as a
5 competitor of NDS in the CAS marketplace:

6 (a) **Menard**: NDS used its hacker-employee Tarnovsky to
7 approach and successfully solicit the assistance of Menard to facilitate NDS's
8 overriding conspiratorial goals on the distribution side. Menard was acting at all
9 times relevant herein as NDS's agent and received instructions and direction from
10 NDS via NDS employee Tarnovsky. NDS used its employee Tarnovsky to retain
11 and/or exercise control over Menard and the distribution side of NDS's unlawful
12 enterprise. With the assistance and at the direction of NDS, via Tarnovsky, Menard
13 contacted and recruited a select group of individuals to be used as distributors for
14 the unlawfully reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or
15 Signal Theft Devices being manufactured, produced, and distributed by NDS,
16 Tarnovsky, and Menard. These individuals included: Dawson, Quinn, Sergei,
17 Dale, and Frost. To solicit these individual distributors, Menard, under the advice
18 of NDS via Tarnovsky, represented to them that: (1) NDS was behind the EchoStar
19 hack; (2) the Tarnovsky/Menard distribution model would be protected and
20 controlled by NDS; (3) NDS had an arrangement with Tarnovsky to facilitate the
21 production of unlawfully reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards and provide
22 subsequent software and technological support to combat ECM's launched by
23 Plaintiffs to disable the pirated Access Cards; and (4) NDS would protect this
24 distribution network from potential RCMP raids.

25 (b) **Dawson, Quinn, Sergei, Dale, and Frost**: As stated,
26 NDS via Tarnovsky directed Menard to solicit the help of a select group of
27 distributors for the unlawfully reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards and other
28 Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices. In compliance with NDS's instruction,

1 Tarnovsky and Menard established a distribution network for the unlawfully
2 reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft
3 Devices in a manner that NDS could control. Because Tarnovsky and Menard
4 solicited the help of Dawson, Quinn, Sergei, Dale, and Frost to act on behalf of
5 NDS and under NDS's control via Tarnovsky and Menard, Defendants Dawson,
6 Sergei, Quinn, Dale, and Frost thereby became sub-agents of NDS. And, in
7 accordance with serving out their role as distributor sub-agents in the overriding
8 NDS conspiracy, Defendants Dawson, Quinn, Sergei, Dale, and Frost facilitated the
9 compromise of Plaintiffs' Security System by trafficking in, among others, illegally
10 reprogrammed EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft
11 Devices.

12 (c) **Main and Wilson**: NDS's agent Menard additionally
13 solicited the assistance of Defendants Main and Wilson to help in establishing and
14 operating NDS's distribution network. Upon being approached by Menard,
15 Defendants Main and Wilson agreed to assist in the NDS/Tarnovsky/Menard
16 distribution network. And, because Menard's solicitation of Defendants Main and
17 Wilson was a foreseeable result of NDS's agency relationship with Menard, in
18 addition to the fact that Defendants Main and Wilson acted in furtherance of NDS's
19 ultimate goals and NDS accepted the benefit of such acts, Defendants Main and
20 Wilson were not only agents of Menard, but also the sub-agents of NDS.

21 (d) **Bruce**: Menard's agent Quinn additionally solicited the
22 assistance of Defendant Bruce to help in establishing and operating NDS's
23 distribution network. Upon being approached by Quinn, Defendant Bruce agreed to
24 assist in the NDS/Tarnovsky/Menard distribution network by, among other acts,
25 hosting Quinn's hacker website www.hitecsat.com. And, because Quinn's
26 solicitation of Defendant Bruce was a foreseeable result of NDS's agency
27 relationship with Menard and subagency relationship with Quinn, in addition to the
28 fact that Defendant Bruce acted in furtherance of NDS's ultimate goals and NDS

1 accepted the benefit of such acts, Defendant Bruce was not only an agent of Quinn,
2 but also a sub-agent of NDS.

3 (2) **Agency by Ratification**: Defendants Menard, Dawson, Sergei,
4 Quinn, Frost, Dale, Main, Wilson and Bruce also became NDS's agents by
5 subsequent ratification. To be sure, NDS: (1) had actual or constructive notice of
6 the unlawful acts engaged in by Menard, Dawson, Sergei, Quinn, Frost, Dale,
7 Main, Wilson and Bruce in furtherance of carrying out NDS's objectives through
8 the distribution network; and (2) accepted and/or retained the benefits and
9 commercial advantage obtained through the acts of Defendants Menard, Dawson,
10 Sergei, Quinn, Frost, Dale, Main, Wilson and Bruce. Indeed, the NDS internal
11 documents cited and quoted from herein clearly demonstrate NDS's full awareness
12 of the acts of each of its pirate-agents and sub-agents, as well as the direct benefit
13 and commercial advantaged bestowed upon NDS by the unlawful acts of same.

14 (3) **Agency by Estoppel**: Defendants Menard, Dawson, Sergei,
15 Quinn, Frost, Dale, Main, Bruce and Wilson also became NDS's agents and/or sub-
16 agents under the doctrine of estoppel. As with ratification outlined above, by NDS
17 knowingly accepting the benefits and commercial advantage obtained through the
18 acts and omissions of Defendants Menard, Dawson, Sergei, Quinn, Frost, Dale,
19 Main, Bruce and Wilson, NDS is estopped from contesting its agency and/or sub-
20 agency relationship with same.

21 **C. Co-Conspirators of NDS and NDS, Americas**

22 The following individual Defendants were at all times relevant herein acting
23 as co-conspirators of NDS PLC and/or NDS Americas in serving their role in
24 materializing NDS's unlawful objectives of compromising and facilitating others in
25 compromising Plaintiffs' Security System and ultimately eliminating Plaintiffs as a
26 competitor in the CAS marketplace: (1) Norris; (2) Hasak; (3) Tarnovsky; (4)
27 Tarnovsky Sr.; (5) Kommerling; (6) Donev; (7) Vesco; (8) Luyando; (9) Menard;

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1 (10) Wilson; (11) Main; (12) Dawson; (13) Quinn; (14) Sergei; (15) Dale; and (16)
2 Frost.

3 In addition to their employee or agency relationship with NDS, the foregoing
4 Defendants were also acting in concert with NDS as co-conspirators vis-à-vis the
5 overriding NDS conspiracy to eliminate Plaintiffs from the CAS marketplace. NDS
6 conspired with and through their directors, officers, and/or employees (Norris,
7 Hasak, Tarnovsky, Tarnovsky Sr., Kommerling, Luyando, Donev, and Vesco) to
8 effectuate and facilitate others in effectuating the wide-spread compromise of
9 Plaintiffs' security system through the 2-phase process outlined in the introductory
10 paragraphs and detailed *infra*. NDS, through, among others, Tarnovsky, conspired
11 with Menard to assist in NDS's overall conspiracy by establishing and maintaining,
12 with the assistance of NDS and Tarnovsky and under their direct and/or indirect
13 control, a distribution network consistent with NDS's overall objectives. In
14 furtherance of NDS's objectives vis-à-vis this distribution network, Menard
15 conspired with Dawson, Sergei, Frost, Quinn, Dale, Main and Wilson to provide
16 assistance in carrying out NDS's goals of assisting others in compromising
17 Plaintiffs' Security System.

18 **V. PLAINTIFFS' & DEFENDANT NDS'S SECURITY SYSTEMS**

19 **A. The Components of Plaintiffs' Security System.**

20 93. A consumer wishing to subscribe to the DISH Network must first
21 have the necessary equipment, which consists primarily of: (1) a satellite dish
22 antenna ("dish"); (2) an integrated receiver/decoder ("IRD," "receiver," or "set-top
23 box"); and (3) a credit card-sized EchoStar Access Card ("Access Card").

24 94. EchoStar Access Cards are purchased from NagraStar and are
25 provided by EchoStar to DISH Network subscribers for use in connection with the
26 set-top box for the sole purpose of enabling legally authorized access to EchoStar
27 Programming. DISH Network subscribers are not authorized to modify EchoStar
28 Access Cards which are clearly marked as the property of EchoStar and must be

1 returned upon request. EchoStar's ownership of its Access Cards is explained in
2 the DISH Network's subscriber agreement:

3 The Smart Card remains the property of EchoStar . . . and
4 *any tampering or unauthorized modification to the*
5 *Smart Card is strictly prohibited and may result in, and*
6 *subject you to, legal action.* You agree to return the
7 Smart Card to us upon request. EchoStar therefore retains
8 the right to demand return of the Access Card at any time.
9 *EchoStar does not authorize anyone to modify the*
10 *Access Card or the microprocessor housed on the Access*
11 *Card, in any manner.* (emphasis added)

12 95. EchoStar Access Cards are essential to the operation of the DISH
13 Network. An EchoStar Access Card is, in and of itself, a secure computer which
14 contains, among other things, a microprocessor unit. The microprocessor unit
15 performs and stores data and encryption technology and performs various
16 computing and customer entitlement functions enabling, among other things, the
17 Access Card and set-top box to communicate with one another resulting in the
18 unscrambling of EchoStar's satellite signal enabling authorized subscribers access
19 to EchoStar's DISH Network Programming,

20 96. The microprocessor unit is supported, in part, by two segments of
21 memory: (1) Read-Only-Memory ("ROM"); and (2) Electronically Erasable
22 Programmable Read-Only-Memory ("EEPROM"). Generally, the ROM Code
23 segment contains the intimate knowledge and information about Plaintiffs' Security
24 System and how it works; whereas, the EEPROM Code segment contains secret
25 keys enabling the decryption of EchoStar's satellite signal. In order for a pirate to
26 fully develop a "hack" for Plaintiffs' Security System, a pirate must have the
27 detailed information and intimate knowledge of the code memory contained in both
28 the ROM Code segment and the EEPROM Code segment of an EchoStar Access
29 Card.

30 97. The ROM Code segment provides detailed instructions and commands
31 to EchoStar Access Cards and set-top boxes in the normal operation of Plaintiffs'

1 Security System. The “Nagra ROM Code” is the quintessential component of
2 Plaintiffs’ Security System and access to the detailed information and intimate
3 knowledge contained therein is mandatory for a pirate trying to unlock the safe to
4 Plaintiffs’ secrets controlling Plaintiffs’ Security System.

5 98. The EEPROM Code segment stores data and can potentially store code
6 commands that have been written to EchoStar Access Cards which remain even if
7 the Access Card does not have power, but which can be erased and modified. The
8 EEPROM Code contains data that the ROM Code segment reads from in
9 performing its calculation and operation functions. The EEPROM Code segment
10 contains secret “transmission” keys (sometimes called “decrypt keys NN” in illegal
11 Internet posts) and secret “pairing” keys (sometimes called “secret box key” in
12 illegal Internet posts). The “pairing keys” are used to encrypt and decrypt the
13 communications between the EchoStar Access Card and the set-top box.

14 99. EchoStar frequently communicates with the microprocessor chip on
15 the Access Card by sending and receiving information which is routinely updated.
16 The information transmitted to and temporarily stored on the Access Card
17 microprocessor and in related memory, includes the most recent software code
18 related to the functioning of certain portions of Plaintiffs’ Security System.

19 100. At the first activation of a customer’s set-top box, EchoStar sends a
20 signal to the Access Card in order to “pair” the Access Card to the set-top box.
21 Both the Access Card and set-top box have a unique identification number that is
22 maintained by EchoStar’s subscriber management system. This pairing operation,
23 utilizing the two unique identification numbers, is mandatory for the proper
24 operation of Plaintiffs’ Security System.

25 101. Plaintiffs’ Security System effectively controls access to copyrighted
26 works included in DISH Network programming. In addition, the Security System
27 ensures that the protection afforded to this copyrighted material, such as limitations
28 on the dissemination and use in accordance with EchoStar’s contractual agreements

1 with content providers, is preserved. Plaintiffs also have valid copyrights and
2 associated protection in: (a) certain aspects of the software and/or codes used in
3 Plaintiffs' CAS; (b)

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5 **B. NDS was Fully Compromised as Early as 1995 and Was Losing**
6 **Credibility in the Conditional Access System Market Place.**

7 102. Three companies manufacture the majority of "conditional access
8 systems" for the Direct-to-Home Broadcast Satellite ("DBS") industry world-wide.
9 Two of those companies are NDS and its related companies, and NagraStar and its
10 related companies, including the Kudelski Group.

11 103. NDS supplies the conditional access system used by, among others,
12 DirecTV, a DBS company in the United States and competitor of EchoStar.

13 104. In 1995, a group of hackers successfully defeated the NDS Security
14 System employed by DirecTV. The results of the hackers' work were published on
15 the Internet which led to the design, manufacture, and sale of certain circumvention
16 or signal theft devices that were used by hackers and signal "pirates" to unlawfully
17 intercept and view DirecTV-brand satellite television programming.

18 105. Upon information and belief, after its Security System had been fully
19 compromised and NDS became aware of its inferior technology and its inability to
20 maintain the integrity of its Security System, NDS made a conscious decision to
21 hire and "control" all of the most well-known, or "best" satellite pirates and
22 hackers. Upon information and belief, NDS was able to dictate when its Access
23 Cards would be hacked, and thus, could continue to make money from its
24 customers, such as DirecTV, for Access Card swap-outs and for providing ECMs to
25 the NDS hackers' latest piracy efforts.

26 106. Upon information and belief discovery will demonstrate that NDS
27 made the conscious decision to manipulate the hacking of its own Security System
28

1 and to get the most possible financial gain from the hack of its Access Card. With
2 most of the world's best pirates on its payroll, on or about February 1997, NDS
3 superficially attempted to "remedy" certain problems plaguing their Security
4 System by releasing a second-generation smart card, known in the industry as the
5 "P2" card.

6 107. NDS convinced DirecTV to initiate a "swap out" program, whereby all
7 first generation cards, the NDS "P1" cards, were exchanged for NDS "P2" cards at
8 DirecTV's expense – costing millions of dollars. During this swap out period,
9 DirecTV used both the "P1" and "P2" conditional access systems. On or about July
10 7, 1997, the swap out was complete and the "P1" system was shut down
11 completely.

12 108. Unfortunately for DirecTV, because NDS had put all of the world's
13 best hackers on its payroll, NDS was fully aware of, and sanctioned, the hack of its
14 P2 cards, notwithstanding the swap out agreed to by DirecTV. By the end of
15 August 1997 the new "P2" system had been successfully hacked, leaving DirecTV
16 with nothing to show for its expensive card swap. Once again, DirecTV was left
17 with a compromised NDS conditional access system.

18 109. Although the NDS systems had been compromised multiple times, in
19 the summer of 1998, it was still believed that Plaintiffs' Security System had not
20 been defeated by pirates or hackers.

21 110. Plaintiffs believe that one reason why its Security System had not been
22 defeated by hackers is because the level of technology needed to accomplish such
23 an invasive attack on EchoStar's Access Card could only be found in a handful of
24 laboratories in the world which are not accessible to hackers or pirates. NDS owns
25 one such laboratory in Haifa, Israel.

1 **C. At DirecTV's Request, in 1998 the Kudelski Group Competed**
2 **With NDS for a Bid to Replace NDS's Security System With**
3 **Nagravision as the Security System to be Used by DirecTV.**

4 111. In the summer of 1998, DirecTV put out a Request for Information
5 because they were considering replacing NDS as their Security System provider,
6 due to the problems DirecTV was having with the piracy and hacking of NDS's
7 inferior conditional access technology.

8 112. After submitting a proposal to DirecTV in the fall of 1998, the
9 Kudelski Group was the only company invited to respond to a formal Request for
10 Proposal. Upon information and belief, DirecTV did not engage in discussions
11 with NDS regarding the extension or renewal of its contract, instead electing to
12 negotiate exclusively with the Kudelski Group.

13 113. In fact, DirecTV specifically requested that the Kudelski Group
14 develop a plan for the conversion of the NagraStar Security System from the NDS
15 system to one that is based upon the NagraStar technology, and to set forth the
16 details of the Kudelski Group's plan in a "White Paper."

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18 **VI. DEFENDANTS' CONSPIRACY, COMMON PLAN & UNLAWFUL**
19 **CONDUCT**

20 **A. PHASE 1: (The Formation of an Employer/Employee and/or**
21 **Principal/Agent relationship Between NDS and Many of the**
22 **Named Defendants) NDS Hires the World's most Infamous**
23 **Hackers in order to "Control" the Hacking of its Access Cards and**
24 **Security System -- in Lieu of Improving its Technology.**

25 114. On or about September 26, 1997, an NDS Memorandum Report to
26 Hasak, entitled the "Main Story" which illuminates the grave status concerning the
27 reputation and commercial well being of NDS, states in relevant part:
28

1 MAIN STORY

2 *At present I think we are on the edge of a serious situation. I*
3 *mentioned the loss of the business in Poland to a rival. Listening to*
4 *the marketing people I cannot see where we [NDS] have had any*
5 *success. At least part of the problem is the history of the insecurity of*
6 *our technology. P7 to P10 [NDS Access Cards] were hacked and the*
7 *fact was very public knowledge. Now we have the situation in the*
8 *USA.*

9 *We must face the fact that our [NDS's] reputation is bad and our*
10 *competitors make capital out of it. We can claim that P11 is not*
11 *hacked but how confident we be of the technology. Part of the reason*
12 *that it is not hacked is the difference we have all made. We have*
13 *introduced control [control of the hackers]. The question is whether*
14 *the control is camouflaging the weaknesses in our technology. My*
15 *fear is that it is.*

16 *In listening to Alex [Oliver Kommerling], who is not allowed to hack*
17 *P11 [NDS smartcard], and coupling that with what is said by others I*
18 *fear P11 is as weak as anything else we have produced. If that is so it*
19 *will be hacked as soon as it is used in the USA.*

20 *... The techies must realize that their technology has not been put to*
21 *the test because largely we are stopping it [by controlling the*
22 *hackers]. We cannot say the same for any other part of the world;*
23 *USA included, where the platform may be used. A hack on P11 would*
24 *destroy confidence in NDS.*

25 *The consequence of not adding a new factor would be the continued*
26 *hacking of our technology. To the best pirates it is almost too easy [to*
27 *hack NDS's Access Cards and Security System]. The technical*
28 *security holes and mistakes make it possible.*

The result of more hacks will be a loss of confidence and a loss of
 business. At present we are not gaining most of the new projects.
 How long before we actually lose one to a competitor.¹² Our jobs are
 on the line. Maybe not yet but we are vulnerable.

115. On or about October 6, 1997, an NDS Memorandum from Segoli to
Hasak, Adams, and Norris, copying Gutman, concerning NDS's recruitment efforts
of a pirate, Dieter Scheel, and specifically concerning NDS's awareness of
Christopher Tarnovsky's identity as "Biggun" on internet piracy websites and chat

¹² This statement to NDS head of security Reuven Hasak is telling indeed, shedding light on the true motivations of NDS when engaging in the unlawful conduct outlined herein. Specifically, NDS was about to lose an account to a competitor – NDS's biggest account, DirecTV, was on the verge of negotiating a conversion to the conditional access system employed by EchoStar. Accordingly, because its business was "one the line," NDS was forced to turn to unlawful anticompetitive conduct in a last ditch effort to remain afloat in the satellite encryption industry.

1 forums, states:

2 *Chris Tarnovsky*

3 *When Scheel was in Canada he wrote to Biggun[Tarnovsky] (using*
4 *Anthony's computer and email account) asking for help. At that time*
5 *Biggun wrote back saying that the man behind Marty Mullin's hack is*
6 *named Dieter. It was only after he returned to Germany that Oliver*
7 *[Kommerling] told him that Chris Tarnovsky is Biggun.*

8 *Anthony has told Scheel that Chris Tarnovsky has gone underground*
9 *because he had made promises to the group he was working for and*
10 *could not deliver.*

11 Regarding NDS's possibly hiring Scheel as one of its hacker/agents and giving
12 competitor's ROM Codes to him, the memo goes on to state:

13 *. . . he [Scheel] could possibly be of operational interest for us, since*
14 *apparently in the narrow world of hackers where there are relatively*
15 *few people of true hacking talent, he is a name that people may trust*
16 *enough to talk to – perhaps not to give ROM dumps to, but at least to*
17 *talk to . . . He is certainly not on the level of Mike [Tarnovsky] or Alex*
18 *[Kommerling].*

19 116. On or about October 21, 1997, an NDS Memorandum, concerning
20 Tarnovsky using the nickname "Coleman" and NDS's control over Tarnovsky as
21 one if its hacker/agents, states:

22 *The Coleman alias was used one time and one time only by Mike*
23 *[Tarnovsky] to attack Oliver [Kommerling]. Mike [Tarnovsky] did not*
24 *and does not know about the relationship [between Kommerling and*
25 *NDS] to date . . . The attack was not sanctioned nor done with Roni's*
26 *[Segoli] nor my [Adams] approval. When I discovered Mike's*
27 *[Tarnovsky] action I put an immediate stop to this kind of attack.*

28 117. On or about October 22 – 24, 1997, an NDS Memorandum, establishes
that John Luyando [nicknamed "Yanni" and "Jellyfish"] was working for NDS as a
hacker/agent as early as October 1997 and that NDS concealed to DirecTV that
Kommerling was also a hacker/agent employed by NDS. An "urgent" NDS
memorandum concerning Kommerling and Luyando was written to Adams

1 indicating that Larry Rissler, Vice President of Signal Integrity for DirecTV, had
2 contacted NDS and was inquiring as to whether Kommerling was working for
3 NDS. Rissler asked Norris about an individual named "Oli K" or "Oliver Kiss."
4 Rather than being forthright with DirecTV – NDS's largest client that NDS was
5 fighting desperately to retain notwithstanding DirecTV's utter disappointment with
6 NDS's consistently compromised Security System – Norris lied to Rissler in an
7 attempt to conceal Kommerling's relationship with NDS.

8 118. In an effort to continue to conceal NDS's relationship with
9 Kommerling, the memo advises Adams that "Oliver [Kommerling] should not
10 travel with Luyando in the future. I prefer all contact (call [sic], email, etc) be
11 discontinued at this point but this can not [sic] happen due to Oliver's
12 [Kommerling] standing in the hacker community." A follow up facsimile from
13 Adams to Hasak concerning the possibility that DirecTV was setting a trap for NDS
14 hackers Kommerling and Luyando to be arrested when attempting to get onto an
15 airplane, and NDS's actions to circumvent any incrimination of Kommerling,
16 states:

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18 There would have been absolutely no legitimate grounds for detaining
19 [at any airport because DirecTV had notified authorities to be on the
20 look out for Kommerling] him for a second. Had anyone done so
21 there was a lawyer ready to get him out of trouble. *The only possible*
22 *evidence that could have ever existed to connect Alex [Kommerling*
23 *and NDS] to the card [a pirated Smart Card] was what was on his*
24 *PC. It was wiped clean the same day the card was programmed. As*
25 *an extra precaution the computer was broken into two parts and sent*
26 *by two separate courier companies to two separate addresses in*
27 *Germany. . . . Nothing existed [on the pirated card] technically to*
28 *connect Alex [Kommerling] to the card in either Canada, the USA, or*
Germany.

119. On or about November 10, 1997, NDS Letter from Norris to Adams
concerning the "batulator" and Tarnovsky's hacking ability states: "*fyi, the*

1 'compulator' aka 'batulator' code was reversed by Mike [Tarnovsky] several weeks
2 ago and the heart has been exposed . . .” At this time, Tarnovsky was an employee
3 and agent of NDS and was acting on behalf of and at the direction of NDS.

4 120. On or about November 13, 1997, is the first reference that Larry
5 Rissler, Vice President of Signal Integrity for DirecTV, could locate in his notes to
6 “Mike,” one of the names used by John Norris to refer to Tarnovsky. It is Mr.
7 Rissler’s recollection that Norris previously told him that he [Norris] had recruited
8 Tarnovsky to work as a consultant for NDS, and that Norris had moved Tarnovsky
9 to California.”¹³

10 121. In or around the end of 1998 NDS employee John Luyando sent a
11 letter to NDS executives Reuven Hasak and Ray Adams concerning Kommerling’s
12 recent “visit to Jerusalem,” and concerning the criminal elements associated with
13 satellite piracy and his regard for Rupert Murdoch. This NDS report states in
14 relevant part:

15 On Monday morning, Yossi [Tsuria] and I had breakfast with Alex
16 [Kommerling] at the hotel. Yossi was relaxed and talkative, and the
17 atmosphere was very open and, in my opinion, was a good discussion.
18 The discussion was around Boris [Floritic]¹⁴ and the implications of
19 criminal elements entering this [NDS] arena. The two seem to agree
20 that this was no suicide. They also said that it does not seem possible
that a commercial company would take such drastic steps just to save

21 ¹³ In contrast, Norris was not so forthright with U.S. Customs agents when Tarnovsky’s
22 California home was raided. Specifically, at that time, in an attempt to limit exposure of the
23 NDS/Tarnovsky relationship, Norris informed U.S. Customs officials that: (a) the equipment in
24 Tarnovsky’s home – which included various pirating devices such as a card emulator – was
property of NDS; (b) Tarnovsky had been an NDS employee since February 1, 2001; and (c) the
U.S. Customs’ officials were not to search Tarnovsky’s home without a search warrant.

25 ¹⁴ Boris Floritic authored a well-regarded research paper on reverse engineering of smart card
26 technology. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that NDS contacted Floritic, whom NDS referred
27 to as “Tron”, regarding reverse engineering Access Cards used for conditional access systems
employed by satellite signal providers. In October 1998, Floritic was found dead in a Berlin park
(hanging from a tree with his feet on the ground). Upon investigation, Floritic’s father found a
28 NDS invoice dated July 12, 1998 which read “Hello Boris, here are the analog devices, good
luck.”

1 its product. (Yossi said: 'There's a limit to how far out I will stretch
2 my neck out for Rupert Murdoch')¹⁵

3 On the issue of Kommerling's dealings for and at the direction of NDS, this NDS
4 report states:

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6 Yossi and Alex [Kommerling] also raised a possible scenario, which,
7 to the best of my knowledge, has not been considered. *Alex*
8 *[Kommerling] pointed out that it is very easy to trace the transport of*
9 *Fed-Ex packages or other postal packages. It would be no problem*
10 *for a journalist to find that there have been very frequent exchange*
11 *[sic] of postal packages between Alex [Kommerling] and NDS-UK*
12 *and NDS-Israel. What would happen if a journalist came knocking on*
13 *Alex's [Kommerling's] door with a Camera? . . . Yossi said he would*
14 *like a contingency plan developed for such a scenario.*

15 122. On or about May 31, 1999, an NDS Letter was sent from Yehonatan
16 Shiloh from NDS Technologies Israel, Ltd. to the Israeli Embassy regarding
17 satellite pirate "Plamen Donev," who was well known for hacking NDS's Access
18 Cards, and a visit he was making to NDS's laboratory in Haifa, Israel. The letter
19 states that "*Plamen Todorov Donev [hacker and pirate programmer], (Passport*
20 *number 5389412) [is] employed at NDS Ltd. as Director and Advisor for Technical*
21 *Design and Research.*"

22 123. On or about June 18, 1999, an NDS Letter to Hasak from Adams
23 concerning NDS's hiring satellite pirates and hackers in order to "CONTROL"
24 them, as well as NDS's fear of losing its contract with DirecTV to be DirecTV's
25 smart card provider, states in relevant part:

26 *So if a risk existed what were we to do. With Risks we normally*
27 *think of: AVOIDANCE, REMOVE, CONTROL*

28 *We could avoid the risk by not introducing P3. We could*

¹⁵ Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. is the parent company of NDS.

1 remove the risk by introducing an un-hackable card. So, we
2 are left with CONTROL.

3 We decided that the best control was to control the perpetrators
4 [pirates and hackers]. To control we decided to recruit, to
5 neutralise. The twin advantages of doing this were:

6 1. to stop them actively hacking P3 on behalf of the Canadians
7 2. to learn from the two recruits (referring to Pluto [Plamen
8 Donev] and Vesco [Vesselin Nedeltchev]), their methods, and
9 preventative measures.

10 *With the benefit of experience over the next six months you and*
11 *I will be able to talk very convincingly about the cost benefit of*
12 *our recruitment.*

13 The one hostage that we carry into all these deliberations is the
14 weaknesses in our [NDS's] technology [Access Cards]. I have
15 not told you before as I assume you already know the same as
16 me. Yossi admits that our cards are even more vulnerable to
17 attack than anyone realised before. Glitching is practically a
18 magic key to access our cards. . . .

19 *So given that the technology can be hacked very quickly what*
20 *do we do. Do we abandon recruitment [of other satellite*
21 *pirates and hackers] and leave everything to ECM's [electronic*
22 *countermeasures to fight piracy] in which case we will lose our*
23 *customers [DirecTV] in a short space of time. Or, do we*
24 *continue to recruit [hackers]. This gives us time to get the*
25 *technology correct. Having the enemy [hackers and pirates] on*
26 *our side removes the complacency element and makes the*
27 *improvement of our technology a geometric progression.*

28What we need is support. In the main that is money,
money, money.

Without a realistic budget we cannot recruit the top hackers.
They know what they can get from the pirates. We need to
control these guys, to pay them well, and get benefit from
them.

1 ... JOD was heavily involved in the DTV negotiations. He
2 thinks we will lose them soon. We will lose them quicker if P3
3 if hacked. This must be a major concern.¹⁶

4 **1. With the World's Most Infamous Hackers on its Payroll,
5 NDS was able to Dictate When its Access Cards Would be
6 Hacked, and Thus Could Make Additional Monies from its
7 Customers by Selling ECMs and Ultimately Doing
8 Expensive Smart Card Swaps**

9 124. On or about July 11, 1997, an NDS Memorandum, concerning
10 Tarnovsky's and Kommerling's employment with NDS as two of their best
11 hackers, NDS's control over them and its desire to have Kommerling continue to
12 engage in satellite piracy, states:

13 *I think we should reflect on what the objective is, either, to get the
14 programme, or, to run a complex operation. I feel sure that, for
15 understandable reasons, the possibility of looking at alternatives is
16 being passed over. Why not for example, let Alex [Kommerling] and
17 Mike [Tarnovsky] run together on this one. Why separate them? I am
18 prepared to let JN [John Norris] run the operation.*

19 *... For some time there has been speculation about Kommerling and
20 the fact that he is no longer acting with the pirates. His withdrawal
21 from the USA scene will serve to confirm the suspicions. He is
22 suppose to be a pirate and should therefore act like one. . . . In one
23 simple move we would get the operation moving and protect
24 Kommerling from exposure....he [Jan Saggiori] knows that
25 Kommerling is with NDS.*

26 125. On or about December 1, 1997, an NDS Memorandum entitled
27 "Operations Security Group" from Gutman to Hasak, Segoli, Adams, and Norris
28 regarding a "Global View - 12/1/97," concerning NDS's placement of Tarnovsky

¹⁶ Here again NDS acknowledges the fact that it was on the verge of losing one of its largest clients – DirecTV – and that drastic measures were needed to prevent such a loss. However, rather than improve the quality of its encryption technology, NDS opted to continue with its conspiracy to effectuate, and facilitate others in effectuating a wide spread compromise of Plaintiffs' security system to 'level the playing field' in an illegal anti-competitive manner.

1 into Ron Ereiser's pirate organization with NDS's full support, states: "*Ron*
2 *Ereiser's Group - hired Tarnovsky to Calgary . . . CT [Tarnovsky] was tasked with*
3 *creating four secure programmer boxes [illegal NDS Smart Card programmers].*
4 *Each member of the group will receive a box, thus enabling the programming of*
5 *more cards and ensuring that if one of them gets caught - the business of selling*
6 *3Ms [DirecTV hack] will continue."* Concerning NDS's technical support for his
7 pirating activity, the memo goes on to state "*Mike [Tarnovsky] recently visited*
8 *Israel to meet the staff, set working procedures with them and receive tasks*" to
9 assist him with hacking and piracy.

10 126. On or about December 1, 1997, an NDS Memorandum from Norris to
11 Adams, concerning NDS's providing protection for Tarnovsky for his illegal
12 actions in pirating competitors' security systems, NDS's full awareness of
13 Christopher Tarnovsky's illegal acts, and the possibility hacking EchoStar, states,
14 in part:

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16 . . . *Mike [Tarnovsky] believes that I [Norris] can not protect him in*
17 *Europe for his past deeds (conspiracy?) and, Alex [Kommerling] has*
18 *been raided once - therefore, Mike [Tarnovsky] could be the subject*
of some official covert investigation into his European activities
[illegal satellite piracy and hacking].

19 127. On or about November 27, 1998, a NDS Letter from Adams to Hasak
20 regarding Adams's "Week Report," concerning piracy, NDS's budget, and NDS's
21 purchasing hacks of its own Access Cards in order to sell DirecTV ECMs and new
22 Access Cards, among other things. Adams states: "*so this again raises the issue of*
23 *our budget and as I said I think this will become a major issue in the next year. The*
24 *culture at SKY is to cut costs and if there is no piracy someone will suggest it, Psst*
25 *wanna buy a hack.*"

26 128. On or about December 1998, a Letter is sent from Adams to Hasak
27 regarding "Week Report," and concerning Alex [Kommerling] Adams references
28 NDS's secret Black Hat Team, "*. . . you and I believed that Alex [Kommerling]*

1 was moving into a managerial role and would be a leader of black hat activity
2 [illegal hacking and pirating of competitor's access cards]." Further,
3 concerning Kommerling's role with NDS, and the reason NDS and Kommerling
4 formed the company ADSR, and NDS's hacking of the Galaxy Smart Card,
5 Adams writes:

6 . . . he absolutely misinterpreted the whole reason we have formed
7 ADSR [a company owned 60% by Kommerling and 40% by NDS].
8 You and I know that it is to give Alex [Kommerling] a business face
9 that will explain to others what he is doing [provide the appearance of
10 legitimacy].

11

12 It should be a simple task for one of our techies to prove that the
13 Australian IRdeto card is as vulnerable [hack the card] as any in any
14 other country.

15 I can send Prince [an NDS agent] to Australia and he will visit Pirate
16 dealers and get cards direct from them. Even Alex [Oliver
17 Kommerling] and I could go and do it, want to come. I know that
18 Galaxy has been pirated in the past. . . . What we need urgently are
19 some official cards from each of the system, six of each, making 18
20 total so that we can get the pirates to switch them on. This is the
21 easiest way to prove our case. It will also be very effective and
22 untraceable.

23 129. On or about April 30, 1999, an NDS Letter from Adams to Hasak
24 references a meeting that Kommerling had with Canal+, wherein Kommerling was
25 asked about the www.DR7.com [Menard] Hack release. Kommerling was asked if
26 he could do a hack of the "IRDeto" system in Arabia on PANAM SAT channel
27 ART 1, however, unbeknownst to Canal+, the hack of IRDeto was already in
28 NDS's possession. "JR wants Alex [Kommerling] to hack the system but at the
same time to provide a fix. So that when the pirate cards are available he will be
able to say that Alex 'the technician' can do a fix in 24 hours. . . . What JR does not
know is that the hack is already in our [NDS's] possession. You will recall the
occasion when I was asked to get software urgently some 3 months ago. I did it
and had to pay 10 [10,000 pounds]. Well that software only needs updating with
the new keys. :-)"

1 **B. PHASE 2: NDS Turns These Same Pirates on its Competitors,**
2 **Including Plaintiffs, in an Unlawful Attempt to Control the Piracy**
3 **of its Competitors and, Ultimately, to Destroy the Competition.**

4 **1. Step 1: With the Assistance of Kommerling and other**
5 **Defendants, NDS Built a Sophisticated Laboratory in Haifa,**
6 **Israel, Where NDS Cracked Plaintiffs' Access Card and**
7 **Obtained Their Secret ROM and EEPROM Codes.**

8 130. The reason it takes sophisticated technology to perform an invasive
9 attack on Access Cards is that, in order to develop a way to defeat a Security
10 System, an individual or entity must know and understand how the system works.
11 As a result, an individual or entity must have access to the software contained in the
12 ROM and EEPROM contained in Access Cards. The software contained in ROM
13 and EEPROM is written in machine language which is almost impossible for
14 humans to use or understand because it consists entirely of binary digits. The
15 foundry manufacturing the basic component of Access Cards uses advanced
16 security designs and manufacturing techniques to render them tamper proof.

17 131. A hacker wanting to obtain the ROM and EEPROM software
18 contained in EchoStar Access Cards would have to use a sophisticated laboratory
19 equipped with a scanning electron microscope and/or focused ion beam, among
20 other things. They would then have to analyze the chip mapping out the 1s and 0s
21 and then reverse-compiling those numbers to have access to and understand the
22 imbedded software. This also requires the involvement of very sophisticated and
23 highly skilled programmers and engineers.

24 132. Kommerling testified in the *Canal+ v. NDS* case that NDS engineers
25 at NDS's Haifa, Israel laboratory used the methods and techniques described in
26 "Design Principles for Tamper Resistant Smartcards" (written by Kommerling and
27 Markus Kuhn) to attack Canal+'s Access Card. Plaintiffs are informed and believe
28 that NDS used this same procedure to physically extract Plaintiffs' ROM and

1 EEPROM Codes embedded in EchoStar Access Cards.

2 133. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that NDS engineers also
3 disassembled and analyzed the extracted Codes from EchoStar Access Cards and
4 explored methods to circumvent the security measures contained within EchoStar
5 Access Cards. Once NDS obtained the encryption technology and related software
6 code from the microprocessor, they replicated and modified the encryption and
7 other software to interfere with the communication between the Access Card
8 microprocessor and the set-top box that, in the ordinary course of its operation,
9 authenticates which DISH Network Programming services legitimate subscribers
10 are entitled to view.

11 134. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that NDS and its employees and
12 agents hacked Plaintiffs' Security System, made an unauthorized and impermissible
13 copy of the proprietary information and Codes contained in EchoStar Access Cards
14 at the Haifa, Israel laboratory, and then transmitted Plaintiffs' proprietary
15 information and Codes to NDS employee Tarnovsky who was residing in the
16 United States [in the State of California]. One of Tarnovsky's tasks was to
17 distribute this information in a manner designed to proliferate Pirated Access Cards
18 and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices which could provide
19 unauthorized users with access to EchoStar's DISH Network satellite television
20 Programming services.

21 135. Based upon information and belief, NDS, at its laboratory in Haifa,
22 Israel, (1) intentionally accessed the microprocessor of the EchoStar Access Cards
23 without authorization, (2) physically extracted Plaintiffs' secret ROM and
24 EEPROM Codes contained therein without authorization, (3) distributed Plaintiffs'
25 secret ROM and EEPROM Codes to Tarnovsky with specific instructions for its
26 dissemination, and (4) controlled the design, manufacture, and sale of Pirated
27 EchoStar Access Cards and other Circumvention or Signal Theft Devices designed
28 to enable users to illegally modify or alter EchoStar Access Cards and/or Plaintiffs'

1 Security System without authorization. NDS orchestrated this plan with the intent
2 to defraud EchoStar of revenue from DISH Network subscriptions and to injure the
3 effectiveness of Plaintiffs' Security System. NDS's improper motivation for
4 engaging in this illegal anti-competitive conduct consisted of, among other reasons,
5 a last ditch effort to retain the business of DirecTV, one of Defendants' largest
6 accounts, who was on the verge of entering into contractual relations with
7 NagraVision in an effort to obtain a more secure CAS to protect its satellite signal
8 from unauthorized reception and decryption.

9 136. On or about November 29, 1999, a NDS Memorandum from "Mike"
10 [Tarnovsky] reporting to NDS on the meeting Tarnovsky set up with Hannibal
11 [Saggiore]. When asked who he worked for, "[Tarnovsky] *responded about working*
12 *for 'Flagship Automation from Nashua, NH' as their fielded tech-support lead for*
13 *WonderWare, Inc. I explained how we called the tool, 'UnderWare' instead and*
14 *that it is a Windows hosted scripting language/gui program . . ."* when, in fact,
15 Tarnovsky was actually working for NDS and had been since approximately 1997.

16 137. Concerning the EchoStar hack, Tarnovsky's Memorandum states:
17 "Hannibal [Saggiore] believes Alex [Kommerling] is working with the Canadians
18 on the E* hack. I explained to him that the Canadians who are behind the hack. I
19 told him Discount [Dawson] and Kerrobert Satellite [Ereiser] hated Alex
20 [Kommerling] because he did not return nor help them with the 3 VideoCipher II
21 Plus. I told him that due to this condition, it is unlikely Alex [Kommerling] is
22 behind the E* break. I tried to make him rethink his assumptions on Alex
23 [Kommerling] by use of the Canadians which does seem to have worked, however
24 Hannibal [Saggiore] still believes the IRDeto and SECA [Canal+'s Code] are
25 Alex's [Kommerling's and NDS's] doing."

26 138. On or about May 5, 2000, an NDS Memorandum concerning
27 Tarnovsky and the EchoStar hack, states in relevant part: "You will note that
28 suspicion has fallen on MIKE [Tarnovsky]. This is because, as Hannibal

1 *[Saggiori] says, MIKE [Tarnovsky] was the person who introduced the Bolgers*
2 *[Plamen Donev and Vesselin Nedeltchev] to the American/Canadian Pirates. Yet*
3 *Hannibal [Saggiori] is the one named [in a lawsuit by DTV/NDS]. Thus Hannibal*
4 *[Saggiori] concludes that MIKE [Tarnovsky] works for NDS. There are a series of*
5 *threatening statements inasmuch that MIKE [Tarnovsky] is behind DR7 [Menard*
6 *and www.dr7.com] and MIKE [Tarnovsky] hacked ECHOSTAR”*

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8 **2. Step 2: NDS Had to Provide the Illegally Obtained ROM and**
9 **EEPROM Codes to a Software Pirate Engineer Capable of**
10 **Reprogramming Access Cards.**

11 **a. NDS Used its Employee and Infamous Hacker, Tarnovsky,**
12 **to Reprogram Plaintiffs’ Access Cards Once NDS had**
13 **Illegally Obtained Plaintiffs’ Secret ROM and EEPROM**
14 **Codes.**

15 139. On or about November 19, 1995, Tarnovsky sent an e-mail to a “TV-
16 Crypt” concerning his desire to begin hacking Access Cards, where he admits his
17 status as a pirate and hacker: *“[m]y name is Chris Tarnovsky! I am a*
18 *hacker/programmer very much into Electronics/Ham Radio/Modems/Video Access*
19 *Control (!) and anything else out there I find interesting...I am a fanatic when it*
20 *comes to Sky . . . Eagerly awaiting tearing into the code for the card!”*

21 140. Further solidifying his status as a hacker and pirate as early as 1995,
22 on or about November 26, 1995, Tarnovsky sent an email to tv-crypt@ghost.sm.dsi
23 concerning “D2Mac Rendezvous,” wherein he requests assistance in hacking a
24 smart card, *“Is there anyway to ‘find’ the keys to it [the smart card] via instructions*
25 *or anything w/o etching it [the smart card] open...Any help is greatly appreciated.”*

26 141. On or about July 11, 1996, Tarnovsky sent an email to Jan Saggiori
27 concerning Tarnovsky’s and Saggiori’s combined efforts to hack Access Cards.
28 Concerning Tarnovsky’s employment at “ULVAC” at the time, and the equipment
at his disposal to hack Access Cards, Tarnovsky states: *“We [ULVAC] also have an*

1 *E-beam tester downstairs . . . everything will be fine here once I am settled in*
2 *place! For now, nothing for that [hacking] is possible. I am waiting for things to*
3 *become “more comfortable” (!) ... Now, we need to find the SA for the CTV stuff*
4 *and the old CANAL+/CINECINEMAS keys [secret keys to EEPROM or ROM] . . .*
5 *we want everything! . . . – Chris”*

6 142. On or about November 29, 1998, a post to the Internet by “Nipper”
7 [Tarnovsky] indicating his full understanding of the illegal activity engaged in by
8 stating, “*EVERYONE BE VARY WEARY OF PEOPLE WHO PLAY STUPID*
9 *INSIDE THIS CHAT ROOM! SOME WILL MOST LIKELY TURN OUT TO NOT*
10 *REALLY BE WHOM THEY SAY!”*

11 143. In or about March 1999, John Norris and Tarnovsky attended the
12 SBCA show in Las Vegas, Nevada. Norris introduced Tarnovsky under the NDS
13 alias “Mike George,” and Norris claimed Tarnovsky was his nephew.

14 144. On or about July 23, 1999, Tarnovsky sent an email from
15 epr126@webtv.net to Alan Guggenheim, President of NagraStar, at
16 guggenheim@nagra.com wherein Tarnovsky openly acknowledges the injurious
17 effects of the NDS conspiracy, and his intention to continue to hack EchoStar
18 Access Cards: “*After a visit to your web site <http://www.nagra.com>, we noticed*
19 *that the information about the Echostar Corporation is outdated. We would greatly*
20 *appreciate if you updated the subscriber count to 2.5 million + 50000 pirate*
21 *customers. Best Regards, The Swiss Cheese Production [Tarnovsky].”*

22 145. On or about December 7, 1999, a post to the Internet by “Shrimp”
23 [Tarnovsky] concerning Tarnovsky’s knowledge of reverse engineering Access
24 Cards and the cost of doing so, he states “*any chip can be reverse engineered to the*
25 *point of understanding for under \$110,000. The problem is they might be more*
26 *devices which would need to be reversed and then the costs mount up.”* A post later
27 this date by “GS2” affirms the relationship between Tarnovsky and Menard and
28 states that “*Shrimp [Tarnovsky] is a very good friend of DR7 [Menard].”*

1 146. As illustrated by the proceeding factual allegations, Tarnovsky was a
2 well-known and technically competent satellite hacker/computer engineer. NDS
3 was fully aware of Tarnovsky's hacking and reprogramming abilities when they
4 recruited him to become an NDS employee. And, using his hacking/reprogramming
5 abilities, Tarnovsky was able to (a) use Plaintiffs' ROM and EEPROM Codes
6 provided to him by NDS to develop an understanding of Plaintiffs' Security
7 System, (b) with the assistance of NDS, use Plaintiffs' ROM and EEPROM Codes
8 to design and develop hardware (e.g., the stinger) that NDS, Tarnovsky, and
9 Menard used to later reprogram Plaintiffs' Access Cards, (c) write software codes
10 and programs to counteract Plaintiffs' ECMs, and (d) ultimately, on December 23
11 and 24, 2000 disseminate Plaintiffs' proprietary information and Codes over the
12 Internet.

13 **b. NDS Approached Other Well-Known Hackers in its**
14 **Decision to Compromise Plaintiffs' Security System**
15 **and Disseminate Plaintiffs' Proprietary Codes.**

16 147. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that, prior to obtaining the help of
17 Tarnovsky, Menard, Dawson, Koin, Frost, Sergei, and Quinn, among others, NDS
18 considered other methods of disseminating Plaintiffs' Codes and unlawful software
19 support information necessary to accomplish the wide-spread compromise of
20 Plaintiffs' CAS. Specifically, in sworn affidavit testimony obtained from Martin
21 Paul Stewart (f/k/a Martin "Marty" Mullen), Mullen testifies as follows:
22

23 In August 1997, I was contacted via telephone by an individual named
24 Oliver Kommerling ("Kommerling"). During this conversation,
25 Kommerling introduced himself to me and informed me that he would
26 soon be in possession of the first hack of the EchoStar/NagraStar
27 ROM Code. Kommerling stated to me that this ROM Code was
28 currently being extracted in a "highly sophisticated laboratory in
Europe." Kommerling then informed me that he was able to offer me
the hack on the EchoStar/NagraStar microprocessor and that he

1 wanted to come to Canada and arrange a meeting to discuss the
2 details. Kommerling said that he was informed that I was in
3 possession of pirating software for the DirecTV H-Card and that if I
4 delayed in releasing that software he was authorized to provide me
5 with the DISH Network ROM Code. It is my understanding, after
6 speaking with numerous individuals including, without limitation,
7 Kommerling's agent John Luyando ("Luyando" or "Yanni"), as well
8 as reading Kommerling's sworn declaration filed in support of the
9 Canal+ litigation against NDS, that at the time Kommerling contacted
10 me and stated that he would provide me with the soon-to-be-
11 completed EchoStar/NagraStar ROM Code extraction, Kommerling
12 was an NDS employee and was acting on behalf of, and under the
13 direct control of, NDS.

14 Mullen Affidavit ¶ 16 (emphasis added).

15 In February 1998, Kommerling contacted me again via telephone and
16 advised me that the DISH Network hack had been completed and that
17 the DISH Network ROM Code had been fully and successfully
18 extracted from the EchoStar's Access Card's microprocessor.
19 Kommerling further told me that "Yanni" would be contacting me
20 within the next couple of weeks to set up a meeting in Canada to
21 discuss Kommerling's authority to offer me DISH Network's ROM
22 Code. During this conversation, Kommerling stated that he was also
23 able to provide me with support for the DirecTV H-card hack in
24 addition to providing us the DISH Network ROM Code, as long as I
25 delayed in releasing any software for the DirecTV H-Card.

26 Mullen Affidavit ¶ 21 (emphasis added).

27 In accordance with Kommerling's statements to me, "Yanni" called
28 me in early March of 1998 and arranged a meeting to discuss
Kommerling's offer of the DISH Network ROM Code. This meeting
took place on Friday, March 13, 1998 at the Hilton hotel in Windsor,
Ontario. Persons in attendance at this meeting with Luyando included
myself, Archie Timuik, and Joseph Lucker. "Yanni" informed us that
Kommerling could not be in attendance at the meeting because of
work conflicts, but that Kommerling had bestowed full authority on
"Yanni" to negotiate Kommerling's offer of the DISH Network ROM
Code.

1 Mullen Affidavit ¶ 22 (emphasis added).

2 During this meeting, "Yanni" informed us that Kommerling was
3 authorized to offer us the DISH Network ROM Code for \$1,000,000
4 USD. During this March 13, 1998 meeting, "Yanni" informed us that
5 Kommerling was willing to either set up a demonstration of the DISH
6 Network hack, or provide us with a portion of the DISH Network
7 ROM Code so that we could verify that Kommerling was, in fact, in
8 possession of the hack.

8 Mullen Affidavit ¶ 23 (emphasis added).

9 Because we were unwilling to provide Kommerling with the entire
10 \$1,000,000 USD upfront, negotiations came to an end. Shortly
11 thereafter, I learned through common knowledge in the satellite
12 pirating community, as well as through Al Menard's www.dr7.com
13 website and Chris Tarnovsky's postings on same, that this DISH
14 Network ROM dump had been provided to another group known as
15 the "Swiss Cheese" Group.

15 Mullen Affidavit ¶ 26 (emphasis added)

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17 **c. NDS and Tarnovsky Designed and Built the "Stinger"**
18 **that NDS, Tarnovsky, and Menard Used to Control**
19 **and Monopolize the Sales and Distribution of the**
20 **unlawfully reprogrammed Access Cards over the**
21 **Internet.**

21 148. In or about 1999, Menard became the first person to possess a device
22 that could reprogram EchoStar Access Cards enabling persons to access the DISH
23 Network's Programming without authorization. With the assistance of NDS,
24 Tarnovsky was able to develop, design and create this reprogrammer which he
25 coined the "stinger." NDS then provided Menard with the "stinger" via Tarnovsky.

26 149. Menard was the only person to possess such a device for
27 approximately a year and a half, or from 1999 until early 2001,¹⁷ and thus, with the

28 ¹⁷ As a result of Tarnovsky's December 23 and 24, 2000 postings, satellite pirates and software