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PRESENTATION TRENDS AND TYPOLOGY DETECTED IN MONEY LAUNDERING AND FINANCING OF TERRORISM CASES IN PARAGUAY

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TIPOLOGY



Creation and use of shell companies registered as importers, so that wire transfers can be made through enabled bank accounts, in order to pay alleged suppliers abroad.



The shell companies facilitate the arbitration operations, deposits in checking accounts and transferences abroad, especially through checking accounts in banks located in risky and vulnerable geographic areas.

These companies, in order to justify the transfers abroad, used **invoices of alleged suppliers, apparently not authentic**; and as to the origin of the amount to be transferred, they presented adulterated taxes declarations.



General Data of the case subject to financial analysis

Case related:

- 10 shell companies
- 22 indicted persons
- 3 detained persons (home prision)

Activities Performed:

- Money transfers abroad
- Imported merchandise
- Payment to foreign suppliers



SHELL COMPANIES RELATED WITH:

JUAN CONTABLE, owner accountancy office, Consultancy office.

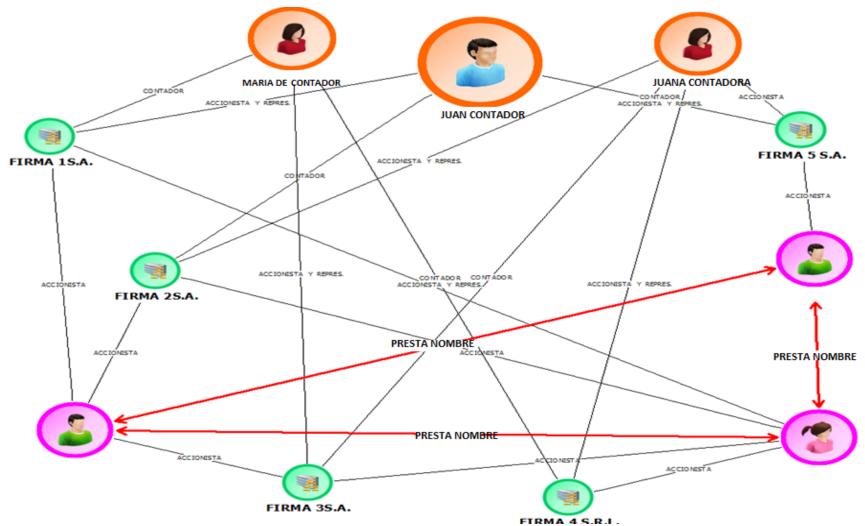
MARIA DE CONTABLE., owner of the Consultancy office's wife.

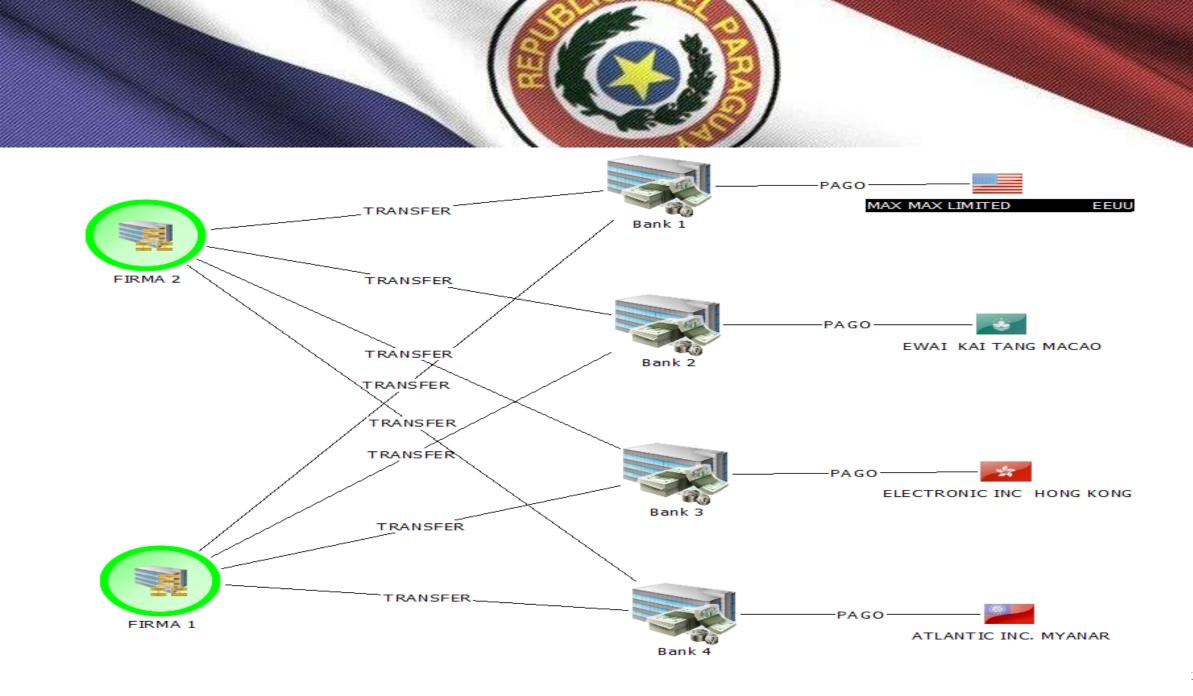
JUANA CONTABLE, owner of the Consultancy office's sister.



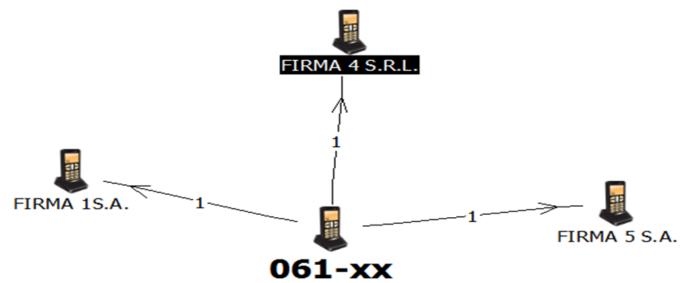
The shareholders, directors and presidents of the shell companies, are people with limited resources and linked with JUAN CONTABLE through labor.











JUAN CONTADOR - TITULAR





JUAN CONTADOR, in partnership with **RC CAMBIOS**, obtained the franchise of a branch of an Exchange House, located in the triple border zone.

JUAN CAMBIOS was the manager of the mentioned exchange branch and he was the responsible for accumulate the "reales" (Brazilian currency) of the border and then deposit them into the bank accounts of the screen companies



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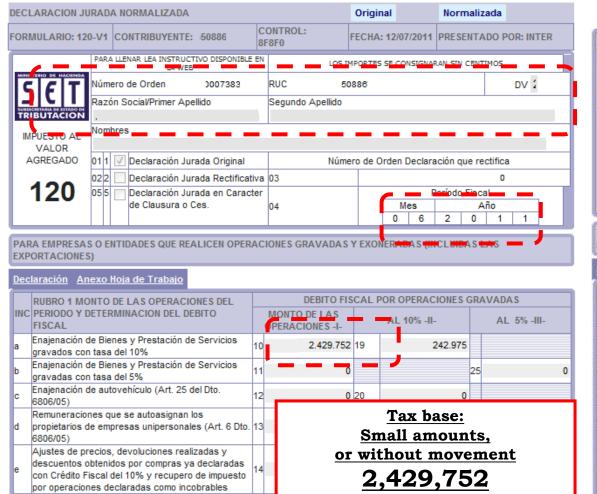


The money that was entering the banks, such as cash deposits in foreign currency (Reales), were used in arbitration operations (realesdollars), to be later transferred almost entirely to other countries as a supposed payment to suppliers from the customers of the shell companies for the goods received.

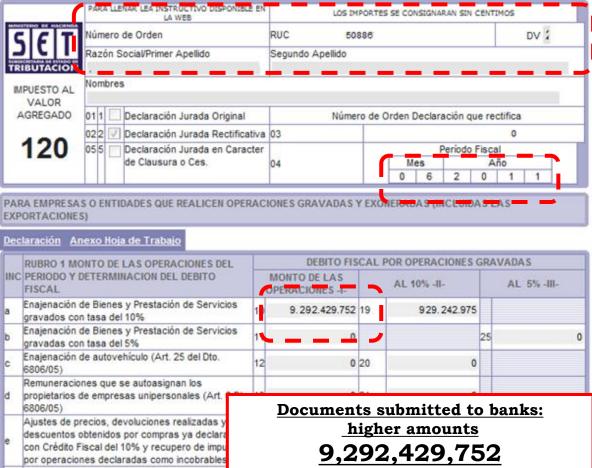


In order to justify the commercial movement of the shell companies in the correspondent banks, affidavits tax statements, balances and accounting documents were made and presented with modified values compared with the real movements of the companies (declared to the Sub- Secretary of Taxation);

Tax Declarations- Correct



Tax Declarations - Incorrect



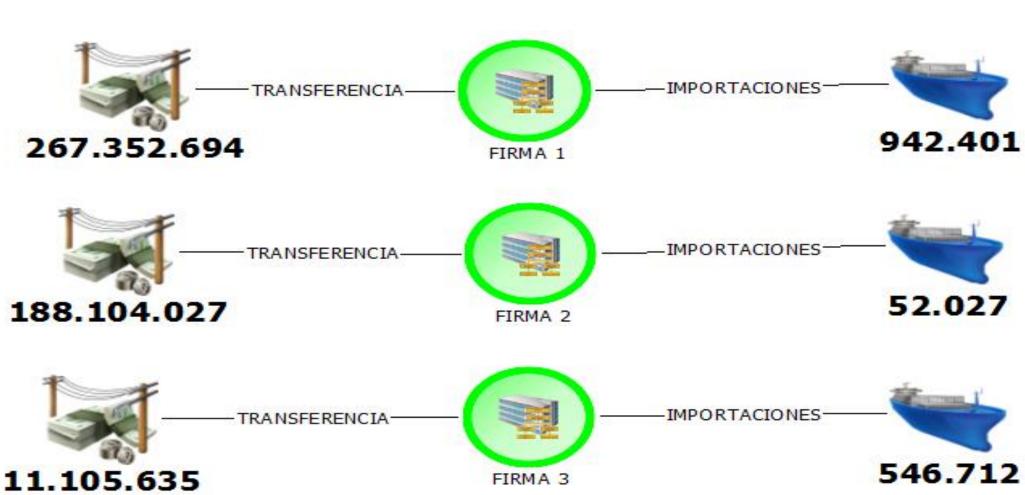


For the justification of the transfers abroad, they presented invoices that were elaborated and designed by JUAN CONTADOR and its organization (CONSULTORA).

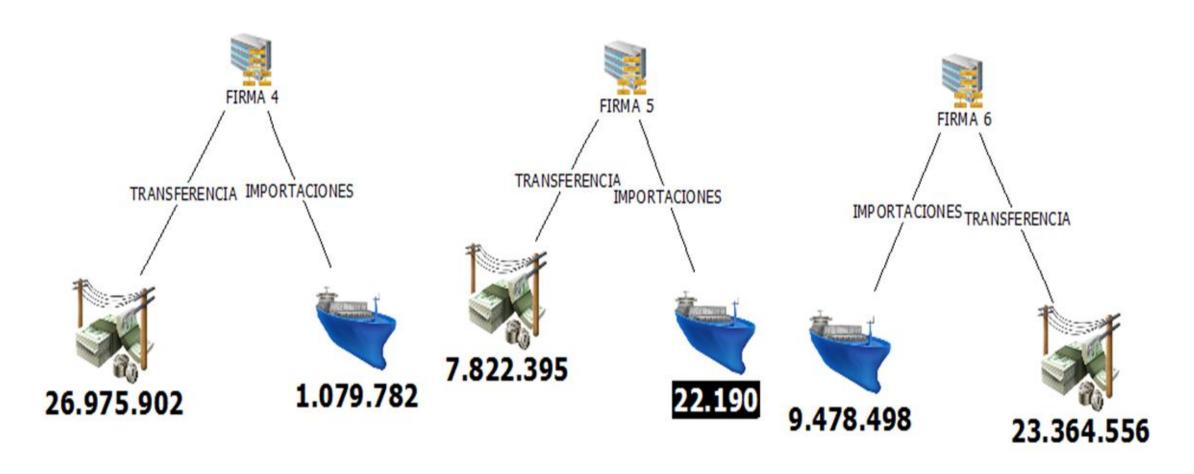


According to the information from the National Customs Office, in some cases the companies didn't register imported goods from abroad and in other cases, the value of imported goods were smaller than the amount of money remitted abroad.

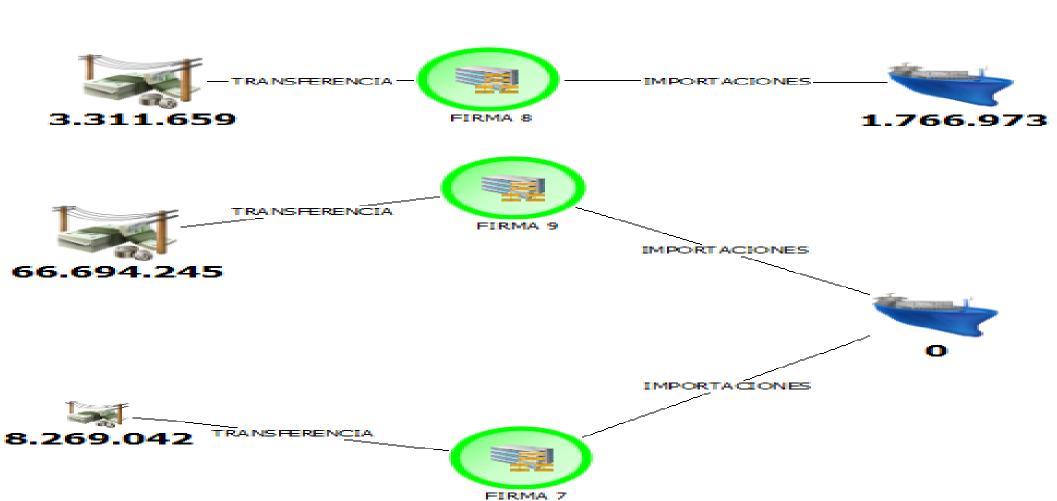












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