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**THREE WOMEN INDICTED ON CHARGES THEY OPERATED ORGANIZED
RETAIL THEFT RING**

BROCKTON – Three people have been indicted on charges that they operated an organized theft ring, stealing thousands of dollars worth of merchandise from a retail beauty store, Plymouth District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz has announced.

Today, Amalia Cinca, 35, Andrea Lasmina Ungureanu, 19, and Adriana Bianca Dumitru, 32, were indicted by a Plymouth County grand jury on one count each of Larceny Over \$1,200, Organized Retail Theft, and Receiving Stolen Property.

Cinca was arrested on January 23, 2024, by authorities at JFK International Airport in New York, as she attempted to board an airplane to Romania, after an active and ongoing investigation by Wareham Police and loss prevention investigators with Ulta Beauty.

On January 7, 2024, Wareham Police responded to the Ulta beauty store in Wareham for a report of a past shoplifting incident. The store employee reported that they observed four females stuff approximately five bags worth of merchandise and exit the store without payment. It was determined that in total, the four women stole \$5,818 in products.

On January 8, 2024, Waterford, Connecticut Police contacted Wareham Police to report a theft at the Ulta store there allegedly involving female suspects. The maroon minivan they had been traveling in was impounded. Inside the van were black garbage bags containing numerous items, some with the price tags still attached, including cosmetics and perfumes. Ulta inventory scanners identified the merchandise to be from the Wareham store.

As a result of the investigation, which included use of surveillance video inside the store, Wareham Police sought and obtained criminal complaints. The Plymouth County District Attorney's Office entered the complaints into National Crime

Information Center, and arrest warrants issued for the women. Cinca was arrested on the warrants at JFK International Airport in New York.

Ungureanu and Dumitru remain at large, with warrants pending for their arrest.

Cinca is currently held on \$75,000, with conditions that if bail is posted, she must surrender her passport, wear a GPS Monitoring bracelet and stay away and have no contact with all Ulta Beauty stores.

On January 18, 2024, DA Cruz announced the formation of the Plymouth County Organized Retail Theft Task Force, and hosted more than 50 members of law enforcement and retailers at the Brockton office. The intent is to work together with retailers, Chambers of Commerce, law enforcement, and others to address the issue of store theft.