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Boston Fugitive Arrested

Kathleen L. McChesney, Special Agent in Charge of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and Brian R. Perryman, Regional Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Chicago, today announced the arrest of NABIL AL-MARABH, age 34, of Hickory Hills, Illinois. AL-MARABH was taken into custody late last night, without incident, by FBI Special Agents and Officers of the Burbank Police Department. The arrest took place at AL-MARABH's place of employment, the Seven Day Liquor Store, located at 6800 West 87th Street in Burbank.

AL-MARABH was wanted by the Boston, Massachusetts Police Department on a Failure to Comply with Probation Warrant, issued in March of this year. An individual by the name of NABIL AL-MARABH is also listed on an FBI "Watch List," compiled last week, following the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington. This investigation is continuing in an attempt to verify AL-MARABH's identity and nationality.

AL-MARABH is currently being held by the Chicago FBI. Subsequent to his arrest, a search of his residence and vehicle was conducted by FBI Special Agents. He will eventually be turned over to local INS authorities in Chicago as an "out of status" foreign national.

Also arrested last night was WALID A. BEITOUNI, the owner of the Seven Day Liquor Store. BEITOUNI was taken into custody by the Burbank Police Department for local firearms violations.

Further questions regarding the probation violation should be directed to the Boston Police Department at (617) 343-4480. Details regarding the arrest of BEITOUNI can be obtained from the Burbank Police Department at (708) 924-7300.

Ms. McChesney would like to thank the Burbank, Justice and Hickory Hills Police Departments and the Chicago INS for their assistance in this investigation. This joint effort again demonstrates the high level of cooperation that exists between federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities.

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