FLORIDA MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO FRAUD AND RELATED ACTIVITY IN CONNECTION WITH ACCESS DEVICES

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Darius Lopez, a resident of Tampa, Florida, pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, to fraud and related activity in connection with access devices on September 1, 2022. Lopez was arrested on April 15, 2021, by the Citrus County Sheriff's Department for using counterfeit credit cards to purchase over \$20,000 of landscaping equipment. At the time of his arrest, Lopez was in possession of numerous counterfeit credit cards, including a fake GSA SmartPay purchase card with a purchase card number that was issued to Amtrak. This investigation is being conducted jointly with the GSA Office of Inspector General.