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# Three Indicted By Jury

**BY TIMOTHY HAIGHT**

SAN JOSE, CALIF. — A federal grand jury here has charged three men with multiple offenses including unauthorized access to government and Pacific Bell computers, unlawful entry to PacBell offices, telephone-equipment theft, wiretapping and use of false credit cards, according to an indictment unsealed last week.

U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of California Joseph Russoniello said that the case is "one of the first in the United States to use federal criminal statutes directed at computer-related crime." He said the indictment was the result of a "long-term investigation" by the FBI with "extensive technical assis-

tance provided by Pacific Bell."

According to the indictment, Robert Gilligan, 31, of San Francisco, Mark Lottor, 25, Menlo Park, Calif., and Kevin Poulsen, 24, Los Angeles, participated in a conspiracy from June 1985 through April 1988 that allegedly resulted in criminal acts.

They are accused of accessing or attempting to access the United States Army MASNet Computer Network; unlawfully obtaining "secret" defense orders; stealing from Pacific Bell a computer printout "pursuant to a contract with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and which contained cable/pair assignments and telephone numbers of (Philippine ex-president) Ferdinand Marcos and others, which numbers were the target of a confi-

dential investigation"; and accessing Pacific Bell computers to obtain unpublished telephone numbers for the Soviet Consulate in San Francisco.

The indictment also alleges that Poulsen entered Pacific Bell offices without authorization and took items including telecommunications equipment, access codes and identification badges.

Other charges, 19 counts in all, included wiretapping conversations of Pacific Bell security personnel investigating the case and others, breaking into a GTE Corp. telecommunications trailer, using unauthorized telephone credit cards and using false names and social security numbers.

Sun Microsystems Inc., Mountain View, Calif., was also named in the indictment. (Indict, Continued on Page 48)

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tain View, Calif., confirmed that Gilligan is an employee and that Poulsen is a former employee. Sun refused further comment. An operator was screening calls made to Gilligan's phone number and referring press calls to public relations.

According to sources close to SRI, Lottor is a systems programmer at SRI International Inc.'s Network Information Center. Lottor has a voice mailbox at SRI, Menlo Park, Calif. SRI, however, refused to comment, and Lottor did not return phone calls. Lottor was interviewed by

*CommunicationsWeek* by telephone last summer about work he was doing at SRI measuring usage of the Internet, a large network of government, business and university computers.

The sources said SRI's Network Information Center provides databases for both the In-

ternet and the Milnet, another network, which is used primarily by the military. Milnet was once combined with the Internet to form the ARPANet, but was separated after other break-ins raised security issues.

The sources said neither the Internet nor the Milnet carries

classified information. A U.S. Army source speculated, however, that the access to MASNet may have occurred through a computer in the Pentagon that also is connected to the Internet.

According to Jack Hancock, vice president of systems technology at Pacific Bell, San Francisco, the break-ins first attracted public attention in 1988. Since then, as part of an effort sparked by general concern with potential security breaches, "a lot of work has been done to improve security."

He said the regional Bell holding companies have cooperated through Bell Communications Research Inc., Livingston, N.J., to upgrade security procedures.

A PacBell spokeswoman said physical security also has been improved since 1987. Measures taken include issuing new employee photo-identification cards, implementing different guard and alarm systems, and imposing more restrictions on access to buildings.

*Kelly Jackson contributed to this story.*