



WANTED BY THE FBI

HELEN PANILAG

Conspiracy



Photograph taken in 2018

DESCRIPTION

Aliases: "HP", Helen Pagaduan Panilag

Date(s) of Birth Used: October 1, 1965

Hair: Black

Height: 5'2"

Sex: Female

Nationality: Filipino

Place of Birth: Philippines

Eyes: Brown

Weight: 135 pounds

Race: Asian

NCIC: W045180921

CAUTION

Helen Panilag is wanted for her alleged participation in a labor trafficking scheme that brought church members of a Philippines-based church to the United States, via fraudulently obtained visas, and forced the members to solicit donations for a bogus charity, donations that actually were used to finance church operations and the lavish lifestyles of its leaders. Members who proved successful at soliciting for the church allegedly were forced to enter into sham marriages or obtain fraudulent student visas to continue soliciting in the United States year-round.

Panilag is the alleged one-time top church administrator in the United States who oversaw the collection of financial data from church operations around the globe. Panilag was indicted for conspiracy by a federal grand jury in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, Santa Ana, California, and on November 10, 2021, a federal warrant was issued for her arrest.

If you have any information concerning this person, please contact your local FBI office or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate.

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