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Panasonic Corp. will pay about \$280 million to resolve U.S. allegations that executives at its in-flight-entertainment unit improperly hid payments to consultants in the Middle East and Asia.



"The SEC said Panasonic Avionics offered a consulting contract "to a government official at a state-owned airline to induce the official to help" the company win work from the airline. Panasonic Avionics paid the official consulting fees of \$875,000 over six years. The airline awarded contracts worth more than \$92 million in revenue to Panasonic."

-FCPA Blog, April 30th 2018

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The brother of a former Honduran official is indicted for laundering \$1.3 million in bribes and for misappropriating funds, that were used to buy real estate in the New Orleans area.



"The DOJ said his brother is the former chief of the Honduran Institute of Social Security. Rojas conspired with his brother and others to launder over \$1.3 million in bribes, the DOJ said. The bribes allegedly came from two Honduran businessmen for the benefit of Rojas's brother. "The funds were then laundered into the New Orleans area through international wire transfers and used to purchase real estate," the DOJ said."

-FCPA Blog, May 2nd 2018

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The Brazilian Minister of Agriculture, Blairo Maggi, is being charged for corruption and for leading a graft scheme when he served as governor of Mato Grosso state from 2003 to 2010.



"Dodge accused Maggi of participating in a scheme to pay a judge on the Mato Grosso state audit court 12 million reais (\$3.4 million) in public funds to retire, so that Sergio Ricardo de Almeida, who was a Mato Grosso state lawmaker, could take the post, which he did. Almeida was removed from the court last year and faces a trial in a lower-level federal court in connection with the supposed scheme."

-Reuters, May 3rd 2018

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