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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **TWO CHARGED IN ROOSTER-FIGHTING OPERATION**

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has charged two people accused of having a cock-fighting operation in Denver.

**Francisco Reyes-Garcia** (dob: 07-07-76) and his aunt, **Virginia Casillas-Deluicio** (dob: 08-15-36), are both charged with *animal fighting* (F5) and *aggravated cruelty to animals* (F6).

The case unfolded in late March when a Denver animal control officer on routine patrol discovered what appeared to be a cockfighting operation behind a home in the 4300 block of Milwaukee Street. Thirteen fighting roosters and two brood hens were impounded; one rooster was later euthanized.

Reyes-Garcia has been released from custody on a \$5,000 bond. Casillas-Deluicio has been released from custody on a \$1,000 personal recognizance bond. They are both scheduled to appear in Denver County Court, room 12T, on June 8, 2006 at 9 a.m. to be formally advised of the charges.

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The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. *See* Colo. RPC 3.6