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Meng Wanzhou

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Meng Wanzhou (<u>Chinese</u>: 孟晚舟; born 13 February 1972), also known as Cathy Meng and Sabrina Meng, also informally known in China as the "Princess of Huawei", is a Chinese business executive who is the deputy <u>chair</u> of the <u>board</u> and <u>chief financial officer</u> (CFO) of <u>telecom giant</u> and <u>China's largest privately held company</u>, <u>Huawei</u>, founded by her father <u>Ren Zhengfei</u>.

On 1 December 2018, Meng was arrested at <u>Vancouver International Airport</u>.

On 28 January 2019, the <u>U.S.</u>
<u>Department of Justice</u> announced financial <u>fraud</u> charges against Meng, accusing her of employing a subsidiary to facilitate business activities in Iran in violation of U.S sanctions. On 24 September 2021, the Department of Justice announced it had reached a <u>deal</u> with Meng to resolve the case through a deferred prosecution agreement.

As part of the deal, Meng agreed to a statement of facts, including a statement that she had made untrue statements to HSBC to enable transactions in U.S., at least some of which supported Huawei's work in Iran which violated U.S. law, but did not have to pay a fine and plead guilty to her key charges.

The Department of Justice said it would move to dismiss all charges against Meng when the deferral period ends on 21 December 2022, on the condition that Meng doesn't commit any other crimes before then. Meng left Canada for China on 24 September 2021.

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Meng in 2021

Born Ren Wanzhou

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