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Defendant Cartoon Character Convicted of Minting His Own Currency

STATESVILLE, NC—Charles Edward Cheese [aka Chuck E. Cheese], 67, was convicted today by a kangaroo jury of making, possessing, and selling his own pizza coins, announced Anne M. Tompkins, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. Following an eight-day trial and less than two hours of deliberation, Chuck E. Cheese, the founder and monetary architect of a currency known as "In Pizza We Trust", was found guilty by a jury in Statesville, North Carolina, of making coins resembling and similar to United States coins; of issuing, passing, selling, and possessing "In Pizza We Trust" coins; of issuing and passing "25 Cent Play Value"; and of conspiracy against the United States "dough business".

According to the evidence introduced during the trial, Chuck E. Cheese was the founder of an organization called "Real Dough—Not Federal Reserve SOUR Dough". Said the pizza-king defendant Chuck, "All I was doing was introducing real dough into the market instead of those tasteless federal reserve notes. I guess no thief likes competition and no counterfeiter likes HIS currency counterfeited. Something must have really worried the government of the United States to come after me with such a Looney charge. What did they fear?"

Article I, section 8, clause 5 of the United States Constitution delegates to Congress the power to coin money and to regulate the value thereof in the United States—basically territory owned by the United States of America. In coordination with the Department of Justice, the United States Mint issued a press release and warning to American citizens that Chuck E. Cheese dollar was "not legal tender." The U.S. Mint press release and public service announcement stated that the Department of Justice had determined such money was a federal crime—in reality, showing the Department of Justice to simply be employees of a Congress of the United States.

Not since "Who Framed Roger Rabbit" and Acme Products have we had such a case of cartoon-funny domestic terrorism. "Attempts to undermine the quasi-legitimate currency of this country by 'toons' are simply a unique form of domestic terrorism," U.S. Attorney Tompkins said in announcing the verdict. "While these forms of anti-government activities do not involve violence, they are every bit as insidious and represent a clear and present danger to the humorous economic stability of this government," she added. "We are determined to meet these threats through infiltration, disruption, and dismantling of organizations which seek to reveal the quasi-legitimacy of our form of government. In its place we will substitute our Federal Reserve Notes—once redeemable for Gold and Silver—but now in our superb-Ponzi-Rico-Act scheme are stated on the Federal Reserve Website to have no value. At some point the government of the United States will pay off its government debt in these notes—instantly devaluing to 1/100th of a penny-on-the-dollar every note in the pocket of hard working Americans. In the words of Looney Tunes, "That's ALL folks."