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### **Brown Shuts Down Illegal Gaming Operations in Stockton and San Diego**

Sacramento -- Attorney General Edmund G. Brown Jr. announced that agents from his office this week raided Internet cafes in Stockton and San Diego that illegally operated "Las Vegas-style games" including video poker, keno and slots.

"Agents from my office shut down Internet cafes in Stockton and San Diego that are a cover for illegal gaming operations," Brown said. "These are unregulated and illegal gambling parlors, operating Las Vegas-style games in violation of the law."

Beginning in early June, undercover agents entered establishments in Stockton and San Diego and played various Las Vegas-style games on computers at these Internet cafes. The agents purchased a card that allowed them "Internet time" on the café's computers. If they won, an on-site employee paid them in cash.

In Stockton, law enforcement agents raided the Lucky Déjà Vu Internet Cafe and the Déjà Vu topless bar and seized 98 computer terminals, 2 master computer servers, money machines and business records, plus more than \$4,000 in cash.

In San Diego, law enforcement agents raided five locations: Café Hong Hung, '08 Wireless, Café 2000, Phnom Penh Video and '05 Billiards. In total, agents seized 31 video slot machines and approximately \$13,000 in cash.

Additional sites in San Diego and Oceanside are under investigation for similar activity.

Brown's office is working with the San Diego Police Department in "Operation Jackpot" to identify and close businesses that offer illegal gambling in violation of Penal Code Section 330b, which prohibits individuals from owning and operating slot machines.

Agencies involved include the Attorney General's Office Bureau of Gambling Control, the San Joaquin Sheriff's Office, the San Joaquin District Attorney's Office, the High Tech Crimes Task Force, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, the San Diego Police Department, the San Diego District Attorney's Office and the Oceanside Police Department.

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