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SACRAMENTO MAN ARRESTED FOR POSSESSION AND RECEIPT OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

SACRAMENTO-- United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced that RONALD TAYLOR, 64, of Sacramento, was arrested today. The arrest was based on a federal grand jury indictment returned on Thursday, March 1, 2007, charging him with receiving and possessing visual images depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. TAYLOR will make an initial appearance today at 2:00 p.m. before United States Magistrate Judge Edmund Brennan.

This case is the product of an investigation by the Sacramento Sheriff's Department and the Sacramento Valley High Tech Task Force which was undertaken as part of Project Safe Childhood (PSC). PSC is a United States Department of Justice initiative established to increase federal prosecutions of violent sexual predators of children, and to reduce the number of Internet crimes against children including child pornography trafficking. As a part of PSC, the United States Attorney's Office has teamed with state and local agencies and organizations to increase law enforcement presence on the Internet, and to educate the public about safe Internet use, thereby reducing the risk that children might fall prey to online sexual predators. For additional information on the PSC initiative, please go to

www.projectsafefchildhood.gov or call the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of California and ask to speak with the PSC coordinator.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Carolyn Delaney, who is prosecuting the case, the indictment alleges that between January 26, 2006 and August 2, 2006, the defendant received and possessed images of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct that he downloaded from the internet .

The maximum statutory penalty for receipt of child pornography 20 years is imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and a lifetime of supervised release. However, the actual sentence will be dictated by the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of factors, and will be imposed at the discretion of the court.

The charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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