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NEW BRAUNFELS MAN RECEIVES MAXIMUM SENTENCE FOR POSSESSING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced today that 55 year-old year old Barry Craig Nielsen was sentenced by Federal District Court Judge Orlando Garcia to 120 months in federal prison for possession of child pornography. Judge Garcia also ordered that the defendant be subject to supervised release, upon completion of his prison term, for the remainder of his life.

The defendant pled guilty to the child pornography charges on March 27, 2007. Thereafter, on August 30, 2007, he failed to appear for sentencing and on October 14, 2007, he was arrested by the U.S. Marshal's Office Fugitive Task Force in Austin, Texas.

A forensics examination of his computer by law enforcement revealed in excess of 25,000 images of child pornography. This case was investigated by Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the U.S. Marshal's Fugitive Task Force and was prosecuted for the government by Assistant United States Attorney's Charlie Jenkins and Don Calvert.