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EVENT: Sentenced

Defendant: Adam Troy Woods

BAY CITY MAN SENTENCED FOR POSSESSION CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

A Bay City man was sentenced this afternoon to 110 months in federal prison for possession of child pornography in violation of federal law, United States Attorney Stephen J. Murphy announced today.

Murphy was joined in the announcement by Andrew G. Arena, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Adam Troy Woods, 29, of Bay City, Michigan, was sentenced by United States District Judge Thomas L. Ludington.

Woods pleaded guilty in October 2007 to one count of Possession of Child Pornography. At the time of his plea, Woods admitted to the Court that on or about February 2, 2007, he had in his possession a computer hard drive that contained over 600 images of child pornography. The images depicted minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct. The images included depictions of minors under the age of twelve and images of violence and bondage.

United States Attorney Murphy stated that "Today's sentence demonstrates that the possession of child pornography can result in significant criminal penalties. Those involved with child pornography in any way -- including the purchasing and downloading of images -- fuel an industry that abuses and causes irreparable harm to young children. Our critical mission is to do all we can to protect these children and to prevent similar abuse from being visited on other potential victims."

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood. In February 2006, the Department of Justice launched Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov/.

U.S. Attorney Murphy thanked the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the United States Secret Service and the El Paso, Texas Police Department for their successful investigation of the case. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Nancy Abraham.