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FORMER FORT OGLETHORPE MAN SENTENCED FOR DOWNLOADING CHILD PORN FROM THE INTERNET

ROME, GA - DAVID RAY KELLY, 67, of Kennesaw, Georgia, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Harold L. Murphy on charges of receiving child pornography in interstate commerce by downloading it from the internet.

"Despite its many positive aspects, the internet poses a significant and growing risk to children," said United States Attorney David E. Nahmias. "The exchange of child pornography between child exploiters cannot be dismissed as 'harmless fantasy' because it encourages them and their predatory behavior. This office will continue to prosecute crimes involving the receipt and possession of child pornography."

KELLY was sentenced to 3 years, 10 months in federal prison to be followed by 3 years of supervised release. KELLY pleaded guilty to these charges on November 21, 2005.

According to United States Attorney Nahmias and the information presented in court: in February 2005, FBI agents interviewed KELLY at his home in Fort Oglethorpe about his receipt of child pornography. KELLY admitted that he had recently received two compact discs that contained images of child pornography through the mail, and that he had downloaded approximately 450 images of child pornography from the Internet. KELLY moved from Fort Oglethorpe after his conviction and now lives in Kennesaw.

This case is being investigated by Special Agents of the FBI and investigators and officers of the Fort Oglethorpe Police Department.

Assistant United States Attorney William G. Traynor prosecuted the case.

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