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**LANDOVER MAN SENTENCED TO OVER 7 YEARS IN PRISON FOR RECEIVING
CHILD PORNOGRAPHY FROM THE INTERNET**

*470 Images Documenting Sexual Child Abuse Found in Defendant's Home,
Including a Video of an Adult Male Raping a Baby Girl Less Than Six Months Old*

Greenbelt, Maryland - U.S. District Judge Alexander Williams, Jr. sentenced Robinson Veloria Lucero, age 37, of Landover, Maryland, today to 90 months in prison followed by three years of supervised release for receipt of child pornography, announced United States Attorney for the District of Maryland Rod J. Rosenstein. Judge Williams also ordered Lucero to have no contact with minors, other than his own children, during the period of supervised release.

According to his guilty plea, on December 12, 2005 an FBI undercover agent searching the internet located an extensive collection of child pornography, available for download, on a computer later identified as belonging to Lucero. A search warrant was executed on April 7, 2006 at Lucero's residence. During the search, Lucero admitted to using the internet to access and download child pornography over the previous six months. He stated that although he preferred nude girls aged 13 and older, he had some images as young as eight or nine years old.

The FBI recovered at least 470 images, including 21 videos, from Lucero's computer, CD's and DVD's seized from his residence which documented the sexual abuse of children. One set of images depicts a six to eight year old girl who is tied up and placed inside a dog cage. Other images include children as young as infants, including a video of an adult male raping a baby girl under the age of six months.

According to court documents, Lucero was a member of the United States Navy since 1992 and was stationed at the Naval District Washington Yard at the time he was charged in this case. Due to Lucero's conviction he was given an "Other Than Honorable Discharge" in July 2008 at the rank of Petty Officer 1st Class.

This case was brought as part of 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.projectsafecchildhood.gov. Details about Maryland's program are available at <http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/md/Safe-Childhood/index.html>.

United States Attorney Rod J. Rosenstein praised the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Defense Criminal Investigative Service for their investigative work. Mr. Rosenstein thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney Stacy Dawson Belf, who prosecuted the case.