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Event: Sentenced

Defendant: Donald Wayne Flint

## OHIO MAN SENTENCED FOR TRAFFICKING IN CHILDREN FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

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Donald Wayne Flint, age 35, of Cleveland, Ohio, was sentenced today to 135 months in prison as a result of having been found guilty by a federal jury in Detroit, Michigan in August, 2008, Acting United States Attorney Terrence Berg announced. Mr. Berg was joined in the announcement by Andrew G. Arena, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Flint was found guilty on two counts of Sexual Trafficking of Children and Interstate Transportation of Minors for Prostitution. The jury deliberated for less than three hours before returning the verdict, concluding a trial before United States District Judge Patrick J. Duggan. Flint was acquitted on one count of conspiracy and one count of Interstate Transportation for Prostitution.

"The sexual exploitation of minors is a horrific crime whenever it occurs, but especially when it involves forced prostitution -- as it did in this case," said Acting United States Attorney Terrence Berg. "Reducing human trafficking and punishing those who exploit children are key

goals of my office and today's sentencing evidences our unceasing effort to combat this dangerous criminal activity."

The evidence presented at trial established that in June, 2007, FLINT and co-defendant James Roney brought two victims, a 15 year old girl and an adult woman from Cleveland, Ohio to Detroit for the purpose of making money through prostitution and striptease dancing, and for the purpose of having sex with them. While in Detroit, defendant FLINT instructed the victims that they would have to engage in commercial sexual acts for money, including sexual intercourse and oral sex.

Co-defendant James Roney pleaded guilty to the charges in October, 2007 and was sentenced to 151 months in federal prison.

The investigation of this case has was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Michigan State Police and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. The case has been prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Saima Mohsin and Matthew Roth.