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NEW PALESTINE RESIDENT CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that JAMES STEVEN LINDSEY, 23, New Palestine, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for distributing and possessing child pornography, following an investigation by the Hamilton County Metro Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, the Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office, and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

The indictment alleges that LINDSEY distributed child pornography on two occasions: February 26 and February 27, 2008. LINDSEY also possessed images of child pornography on March 11, 2008. The image and video files were found in two locations on a computer hard drive within LINDSEY's possession. The indictment alleges approximately 40 image and video files LINDSEY possessed, some with sexually explicit names involving children.

According to Assistant U. S. Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who is prosecuting the case for the government, LINDSEY faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 20 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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