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**OHIO MAN PLEADS GUILTY IN MANHATTAN FEDERAL COURT
TO SENDING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY TO MINOR GIRL**

MICHAEL J. GARCIA, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced that TIMOTHY ARCHER, a/k/a "MatoorM," pleaded guilty today to possession of child pornography and sending adult and child pornography to a child under the age of 16. According to the Complaint, and the felony Information to which ARCHER pleaded guilty:

ARCHER, who lives in Ohio, sent emails -- using the screen name "MatoorM" -- to an undercover officer of the New York Police Department ("NYPD") who was posing as a fourteen-year-old girl. Through emails and an internet "chat," ARCHER told the "girl" how to masturbate, and made multiple attempts to convince the "girl" to masturbate and tell ARCHER about it. ARCHER also sent the undercover officer numerous images of pornography, including child pornography depicting explicit sexual acts between minors and adults.

On March 21, 2007, ARCHER was arrested in Findlay, Ohio, on charges contained in a Complaint filed in Manhattan federal court. ARCHER pleaded guilty before United States Magistrate Judge ANDREW J. PECK. ARCHER is scheduled to be sentenced by United States District Judge KENNETH M. KARAS on October 26, 2007. ARCHER faces a mandatory minimum prison term of five years and a maximum of 20 years.

Mr. GARCIA praised the investigative work of the Department of Homeland Security's Immigration and Customs Enforcement Child Enticement Unit, the New York City Police Department, and the United States Postal Inspection Service. Mr. GARCIA also thanked the Bronx District Attorney's Office for its cooperation and assistance.

Assistant United States Attorney MICHAEL M. ROSENSAFT is in charge of the prosecution.