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MAN ARRESTED FOR SENDING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY TO A MINOR GIRL

MICHAEL J. GARCIA, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, KEVIN DELLI-COLLI, Acting Special Agent-in-Charge of the New York Office of the Department of Homeland Security's United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE"), and RAYMOND W. KELLY, the Police Commissioner of the City of New York, announced that TIMOTHY ARCHER, a/k/a "MatoorM," was arrested today, March 21, 2007, by agents from the child enticement unit of ICE for the distribution of child pornography and for attempting to send obscene materials to a child under the age of 16. According to the Complaint filed in Manhattan federal court:

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.

ARCHER was arrested this morning in Findlay, Ohio, and

was presented in United States District Court in the Northern District of Ohio. If convicted, ARCHER faces a mandatory minimum prison term of five years and a maximum of 20 years.

Mr. GARCIA praised the investigative work of the ICE's Child Enticement Unit, the NYPD, and the USPIS. Mr. GARCIA also thanked the Bronx District Attorney's Office for referring the case to the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York.

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

The charges and allegations contained in the Complaint are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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