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Ohio Man Sentenced to 168 Months for Transporting Child Pornography

COVINGTON, Ky.— A Fairfield, Ohio man, Shakir Aswad Little, 30, was sentenced to 168 months in federal prison on Tuesday, by U.S. District Judge David Bunning, after pleading guilty to transporting visual depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

According to Little's guilty plea, on July 27, 2021, law enforcement found Little in possession of approximately 335 videos and images of child pornography on his phone, which he had transported from Ohio to Kentucky. Little admitted that he knowingly transported these videos and images and knew that they contained minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Little pleaded guilty to the charge in April 2022.

Under federal law, Little must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence. Upon his release from prison, he will be under the supervision of the U.S. Probation Office for eight years.

Carlton S. Shier, IV, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Jerry Templet, Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI); and Sheriff Michael Helmig, Boone County Sheriff's Office, jointly announced the sentence.

The investigation was conducted by the DHS-HSI and Boone County Sheriff's Office. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kyle Winslow.

This case was prosecuted as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), 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 to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafchildhood.gov.