UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

INDICTMENT

- v. -

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VERNON E. COPELAND, III,

Defendant.

COUNT ONE (Transportation of Minor)

The Grand Jury charges:

On or about February 7, 2020, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, VERNON E. COPELAND, III, the defendant, knowingly transported an individual who had not attained the age of 18 years in interstate and foreign commerce with the intent that the individual engage in sexual activity for which any person can be charged with a criminal offense, to wit, the defendant transported a 13-year-old minor ("Victim-1") from Bridgeport, Connecticut, to Newburgh, New York, and engaged, and attempted to engage, in illegal sexual activity with Victim-1 in violation of N.Y. Penal Law §§ 130.30, 130.45, 130.60.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 2423(a).)

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