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LARGO MAN SENTENCED FOR RECEIPT OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Tampa, FL - United States Attorney A. Brian Albritton announces that United States District Judge Steven D. Merryday today sentenced Randall Derringer (age 57, of Largo) to six years in federal prison. Derringer had pleaded guilty on January 22, 2009 to one count of receipt of child pornography.

According to court documents, agents of the U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement discovered that Derringer had subscribed to computer websites which featured images of children engaged in sexually explicit conduct. During the execution of a search warrant at Derringer's home on January 14, 2008, agents discovered that he possessed numerous images of children engaged in sexually explicit conduct on his computer.

This case was investigated by agents of U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the United States Postal Inspection Service. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jay L. Hoffer.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by United States 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, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.
