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DES MOINES MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO PRODUCTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGE

DES MOINES, IA - On July 26, 2011, Kent Eugene Oman, age 27, of Des Moines, Iowa, pleaded guilty to production of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. This crime carries a penalty of fifteen to thirty years imprisonment, a fine of up to \$250,000, or both fine and imprisonment, up to a lifetime term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment to the Crime Victim Fund. The court may also enter an order for restitution at the time of sentencing. A formal sentencing date will be set after the sentencing status conference which is scheduled for September 30, 2011. Oman was ordered to remain in the custody of the United States Marshals Service pending his sentencing hearing.

As part of the plea proceeding, Oman admitted that between January 31, 2009 and November 7, 2010, he knowingly and intentionally used a hidden camera to produce videos of a minor male using the bathroom on 15 to 20 separate occasions. He further admitted that at least one of the videos he produced of this minor male using the bathroom captured images where the focal point of the video was on the genitalia of the minor male. If the court accepts the terms of the plea agreement, Oman will be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of fifteen years.

This investigation was conducted by the Metropolitan Police Force in London, England and the Department of Homeland Security Investigations in Des Moines. The case is being prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of Iowa.