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**DEFENDANT SENTENCED FOR RECEIPT OF AT LEAST 2,944 IMAGES OF CHILD
PORNOGRAPHY AND 101 MOVIES**

Some Images Depicted the Sexual Abuse of Children as Young as 5 Years Old

Greenbelt, Maryland - U.S. District Judge Alexander Williams, Jr. sentenced Paul Matthew Green, age 38, of Solomons, Maryland, today to 63 months in prison followed by supervised release for life for receipt of child pornography, announced United States Attorney for the District of Maryland Rod J. Rosenstein. As a consequence of his conviction, Green will also be required to register as a sex offender in the place where he resides and where he is an employee, pursuant to the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act.

According to Green's plea agreement, in April 2006, ICE began an investigation into an organization operating commercial child pornography websites, which offered individuals monthly access to restricted websites for a fee. ICE agents were able to identify individuals that were paying for access to these illicit sites, including Green. One of the websites to which Green purchased access contained video recordings documenting the sexual abuse of prepubescent females and minor males. Additionally, Green bought access to other child pornography websites on at least six occasions over a two month period. ICE agents interviewed Green on December 13, 2007 and searched his residence. Green admitted that he purchased access to those websites and viewed child pornography on the internet.

ICE agents reviewed the contents of computers seized from Green's residence, which contained at least 2,944 images and 101 movies containing child pornography. The majority of those images involved pre-pubescent children, some appearing to be as young as five years old.

This case was brought 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 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, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafefchildhood.gov. Details about Maryland's program are available at <http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/md/Safe-Childhood/index.html>.

United States Attorney Rod J. Rosenstein praised the Immigration and Customs Enforcement for its investigation and thanked Assistant U.S. Attorneys Bryan Foreman and Stacy Dawson Belf, who prosecuted the case.