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**Operation Compliance Conducted Statewide**  
**on Registered Sex Offenders**

**FARGO** - United States Attorney Drew Wrigley and North Dakota Parole and Probation Program Manager Barb Breiland today announced the results of “Operation Compliance,” a statewide enforcement effort executed last week and aimed at investigating whether registered sex offenders are complying with conditions of state parole and probation.

The North Dakota Parole and Probation Office, in conjunction with the U. S. Attorney’s Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, North Dakota Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and local law enforcement officers across the state participated in the searches. Seven teams were organized and led by probation officers who specialize in the supervision of sex offenders. The teams performed searches in approximately 32 towns and counties across the state. Searches were primarily conducted on sex offender residences in order to determine whether the offenders were in compliance with conditions of supervision, especially computer usage,

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possession of weapons and narcotics, and access to children. A total of 94 searches were completed.

As a result of the searches, 43 people were found to be in violation of their conditions of supervision. Violations included pornography, prohibited computers, alcohol, drugs, ammunition, dangerous weapons, firearms, and registration violations. In one search a minor was found in the presence of an offender who was prohibited from having contact with minors. Nine new cases are either being investigated or charged as a result of the search.

United States Attorney Drew Wrigley praised the North Dakota Department of Corrections Sex Offender Unit and declared the operation a “complete success.”

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