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News Release

Andrew T. Baxter, Acting United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York; John F. Pikus, Special Agent-in-Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Albany Division; and Harry Corbitt, Superintendent of New York State Police, make the following announcement:

As a result of an investigation conducted by the Southern Tier Cyber Predator Task Force (STCPTF)<sup>1</sup>, defendant John Puglisi, 29, of Endicott, New York was indicted today by a federal grand jury sitting in Binghamton, New York and defendant was charged with Production Of Child Pornography; Persuading, Inducing and Enticing A Minor To Engage In Sexual Conduct; and

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<sup>1</sup> The Southern Tier Cyber Predator Task Force (STCPTF) consists of the following agencies: New York State Police; Binghamton Police Department; Broome County District Attorney's Office; Broome County Security Division; Broome County Sheriff's Office; Endicott Police Department; Federal Bureau of Investigation; Johnson City Police Department; Tompkins County Sheriff's Office; Tioga County Sheriff's Office; Delaware County Sheriff's Office; Ithaca Police Department; Cortland Police Department; SUNY Binghamton University Police; Vestal Police Department; and Cornell University Police.

Possession Of Child Pornography.<sup>2</sup> If convicted of the federal charges, defendant faces a mandatory minimum imprisonment term of 15 years and a possible maximum imprisonment term of Life. Defendant also faces a possible maximum fine of \$250,000 on each count. The defendant previously appeared before United States Magistrate Judge David E. Peebles, who ordered that the defendant be held in federal custody pending trial. A trial date has yet to be set.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Miroslav Lovric. Further inquiries may be directed to the United States Attorney's Office, Binghamton branch office at (607) 773-2887.

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<sup>2</sup> The indictment is an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.