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MAN SENTENCED IN POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CASE

BUFFALO, N.Y.--Henry Guzman, 29, of Buffalo, New York, who was convicted of possession of child pornography on June 23, 2009, was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment and 5 years supervised release by U.S. District Chief Judge Richard J. Arcara, U.S. Attorney Kathleen M. Mehlretter of the Western District of New York announced today.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Aaron J. Mango, who handled the case, stated that the defendant had been convicted of possessing child pornography when a federal search warrant was executed for a residence at 233 E. Eagle Street, Buffalo, New York. During the search, agents recovered a Hitachi Deskstar 160GB hard drive, which contained 1680 images of child pornography that the defendant had possessed, received and traded over the internet using the file sharing programs Google Hello and uTorrent. Some of the images depicted sadistic and masochistic conduct involving prepubescent children. Several of the images depicted victims known to law enforcement that originated in numerous states and all throughout the world.

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.

The conviction was the culmination of an investigation on the part of Special Agents of the Department of Homeland Security, Bureau of Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE), under the direction of Lev J. Kubiak, Special Agent

in Charge.