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## **MARYLAND MAN SENTENCED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES**

WASHINGTON – An Upper Marlboro, Md., man was sentenced today to 97 months in prison on one count of receiving child pornography through the Internet, Acting Assistant Attorney General Matthew Friedrich of the Criminal Division and U.S. Attorney Rod J. Rosenstein for the District of Maryland announced.

Gary Jorandby, 57, was indicted on Dec. 12, 2007, for child pornography offenses and pleaded guilty on July 11, 2008. According to stipulated facts contained in his plea agreement, Jorandby was interviewed by investigators in September 2006 and consented to a search of his personal computer and detachable thumb drive. Investigators reviewed these items and found images of child pornography, some of which documented the sexual abuse of infants and toddlers. Subsequently, a warrant to search Jorandby's residence was obtained and agents found evidence that Jorandby had taken 276 Polaroid photographs of a naked prepubescent female.

In his plea agreement, Jorandby admitted that he began illegally photographing the child when she was approximately four years old and that he continued to do so throughout the 1990s. Jorandby further admitted that he used a computer, later seized from his home, to download child pornography from the Internet and save the images to CDs. A forensic examination of the seized computer and media revealed more than 600 images of child pornography depicting prepubescent children engaged in various sexual acts.

In addition to his jail term, Jorandby was sentenced to a lifetime period of supervised release and will be required to register as a sex offender.

This case emerged out of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices, 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 identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit <http://www.projectsafchildhood.gov>.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Michele Sartori of the District of Maryland and Trial Attorney LisaMarie Freitas of the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section. The case was investigated by the FBI's Innocent Images Unit.

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