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## **DELAWARE AND MARYLAND MEN INDICTED ON CHILD EXPLOITATION CHARGES**

David C. Weiss, United States Attorney for the District of Delaware, announced today that a federal grand jury has returned indictments charging two men with online child exploitation offenses. The grand jury returned a 3-count indictment<sup>1</sup> charging Mark Allen Heil, age 41, of Bel Air, Maryland, with attempted enticement and coercion of a minor and transportation and possession of child pornography. Heil was arrested on October 17, 2010 after he met an undercover Delaware State Police detective at Don Pablo's Restaurant, in Newark, to arrange to have sex with the undercover detective's fictional 9-year-old son.

In a separate investigation, the grand jury returned an indictment charging Richard Morgan, age 26, of Dover, Delaware, with enticement and coercion of a minor. Morgan was arrested by the Delaware State Police on March 30, 2010, after he was found with a 14-year-old girl from Peabody, Massachusetts, whom Morgan had met online.

### **United States v. Mark Allen Heil**

According to the indictment and court documents, Mark Allen Heil came to the attention of the Delaware Child Predator Task Force in July 2010, when he contacted an undercover Delaware State Police detective in an internet chat room. The undercover detective was posing

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<sup>1</sup> Criminal indictments are only charges and are not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed to be innocent unless and until proven guilty.