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WEEK IN REVIEW – SOUTH BEND

South Bend, Indiana -- The United States Attorney's Office announced that:

PLEA:

- Kenneth Tyler, 31, of Buchanan, Michigan, pled guilty before Magistrate Judge Christopher Nuechterlein to the felony offense of travel with the intent to engage in illicit sexual conduct with a minor. This case resulted from an investigation by members of the Indiana Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, including the United States Secret Service, the St. Joseph County Police and the Indiana State Police. This case has been assigned to and will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John Maciejczyk.

The specific sentence in each case to be imposed upon conviction will be determined by the judge after a consideration of federal sentencing statutes and the Federal Sentencing Guidelines.

DISPOSITIONS:

- Uzziel Criollo-Castaneda, 34, of Logansport, Indiana, was sentenced by Judge Jon DeGuilio to 41 months imprisonment and 2 years of supervised release after pleading guilty to the felony offense of illegal reentry into the United States. This case was the result of an investigation by U.S. Immigration and Custom Office of Homeland Security Investigations and the Cass County Sheriff's Office. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John Maciejczyk.
- Kenneth Wainscott, dba Car Masters, LLC, 58, of Plymouth, Indiana, was sentenced by Judge Jon DeGuilio to 1 year of supervised probation and a \$250 fine after pleading guilty to the felony offense of structuring transactions to evade reporting requirements. According to the Sentencing Memorandum filed in this case by the government, Wainscott structured multiple financial transactions (deposits of cash into a bank

account) for the purpose of avoiding the required filing of a currency transaction report which he understood would have to be filed if the transaction involved more than \$10,000 cash. This case was the result of an investigation by the Internal Revenue Service. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Donald Schmid.