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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian announced that HARVEY DeLONG, age 58, of Clay, New York was sentenced today in U.S. District Court in Syracuse following his earlier guilty plea in March 2011 to knowingly receiving and possessing child pornography via the Internet.

United States District Court Judge Glenn T. Suddaby sentenced DeLONG to concurrent terms of imprisonment of 240 months imprisonment for receiving and 120 months for possessing child pornography. Following his term of incarceration DeLONG will be placed on supervised release for life, and he will be required to register as a sex offender.

DeLONG's arrest came after the Syracuse Police discovered that a computer at his residence was offering child pornography for downloading by others on the Internet. In his guilty plea, DeLONG admitted that he not only received and possessed child pornography, but that he had also engaged in on-line file-sharing, and direct trading of child pornography over the Internet. At the time of his arrest DeLONG had collected over 2,000 video files and over 180,000 image files depicting children engaged in sexually explicit conduct, including depictions of pre-pubescent minors, and images that portray sadistic or masochistic conduct, or other depictions of violence.

DeLONG'S arrest is the result of an investigation by the Syracuse Police Department, and the Wallie Howard Center for Forensic Sciences, and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lisa Fletcher, who can be reached at 448-0672.

DeLONG was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States 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 www.projectsafechildhood.gov.