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INDIVIDUAL WHO POSSESSED CHILD PORNOGRAPHY SENTENCED

Defendant Who Possessed Thousands of Child Pornography Images Sentenced to 24 Months of Imprisonment

Albany, New York —United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian and Patrick Coultry, Resident Agent in Charge of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, announced that LIAM BOWEN, age 22, of Delmar, New York, was sentenced on December 7, 2011, by the Honorable Gary L. Sharpe in Federal District Court in Albany on his guilty plea to one count of possessing child pornography. BOWEN was sentenced to 24 months of imprisonment. Following his term of imprisonment, BOWEN will be placed on supervised release for 20 years. BOWEN was also ordered to: (1) have no unsupervised contact with minors; and (2) register with the New York State Sex Offender Registry Program.

In early 2008, investigators received information that BOWEN had traded child pornography images with other individuals located outside the State of New York. On July 1, 2008, investigators executed a search warrant at BOWEN's residence in Delmar, New York and seized a computer and multiple hard drives that were used by BOWEN to obtain, download and possess child pornography. Contained on the computer and the hard drives were thousands of images of child pornography. BOWEN pled guilty on May 19, 2011 to possessing child pornography.

This case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

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