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MANHATTAN MAN FACES FEDERAL CHARGES
FOR DOWNLOADING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

MICHAEL J. GARCIA, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, and KEVIN DELLI-COLLI, Acting Special Agent-in-Charge of the New York Office of the Department of Homeland Security's United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE"), announced that MARVIN FALIKOVIC was arrested today, by agents from ICE's Child Exploitation Unit, for receiving child pornography. According to the Complaint filed today in Manhattan federal court:

FALIKOVIC, who lives in Manhattan, paid a membership fee in December of 2004 to join a web site called "Pedo Land." This website depicted and made available for downloading numerous images of pre-pubescent girls engaged in oral sex and sexual intercourse with adult males. The web site advertised that "There are NO FAKES, only real Children porno, all content with models at two years old." It also stated, "There are NO TEENS, only real little kids porno here!!"

Federal law enforcement agents learned that FALIKOVIC had traveled to Thailand, and that he was scheduled to return to the United States in February of 2007. During a border search conducted by agents at JFK Airport upon FALIKOVIC's arrival, ICE and other law enforcement agents located a video file on FALIKOVIC's laptop computer, which video depicted a pre-pubescent girl performing oral sex on an adult male.

During an interview conducted by ICE agents at the airport, FALIKOVIC admitted to joining the Pedo Land website and to downloading the video file from the Internet. He also admitted that he was staying at a brothel while he was in Thailand.

If convicted, FALIKOVIC faces a statutory minimum prison term of five years, and a maximum of 20 years.

Mr. GARCIA praised the investigative work of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and also thanked the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children for their assistance in this investigation.

Assistant United States Attorney JENNA M. DABBS is in charge of the prosecution.

The charges and allegations contained in the Complaint are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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