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## AMHERST MAN CHARGED WITH SEX TRAFFICKING

BUFFALO, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that a federal grand jury in Buffalo has returned an indictment charging Kenneth Graham, 34, of Amherst, N.Y., with sex trafficking by force, fraud or coercion. The charge carries a mandatory minimum penalty of 15 years in prison, a maximum of life a \$250,000 fine or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert C. Moscati, who is handling the case, stated that according to the Indictment, the defendant forced a victim to engage in commercial sex acts. The Indictment seeks \$10,000 from the defendant in a forfeiture allegation for proceeds derived from said acts.

The Indictment is the result of an investigation on the part of members of the Special Agents of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge James C. Spero, the Amherst Police Department, under the direction of Chief John Askey, the Cheektowaga Police Department, under the direction of Chief David Zack, and the Buffalo Police Department, under the direction of Commissioner Daniel Derenda.

Graham's arraignment is scheduled for Friday, October 5, 2012 at 10:00 am before United States Magistrate Judge Hugh B. Scott.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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