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## LOUISVILLE MAN INDICTED FOR POSSESSING AND DISTRIBUTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

LOUISVILLE, KY - A federal grand jury in Louisville returned an indictment against **Igor Nasonov**, age 33, of Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, for distributing and possessing child pornography using his computer and a file sharing program. Nasonov was charged in a Criminal Complaint filed in United States District Court in Louisville, Kentucky, with distribution and possession of child pornography, Acting United States Attorney Candace G. Hill for the Western District of Kentucky announced today.

Acting United States Attorney Candace G. Hill praised the efforts of Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Louisville Metro Police Department, Crimes Against Children Unit (CACU) for their effective response to these very serious offenses.

### The Affidavit

According to the affidavit filed in federal court in Louisville on July 10, 2009, by Special Agent with FBI, the images of child pornography showed young children including infants in various sexual acts. On April 29, 2009, an FBI Agent with the Richmond Virginia Division of the FBI, using an Internet connected computer, launched a publicly available P2P file sharing program. The Agent queried a network of friends and observed that an individual using the username "Daddyof3" was logged onto the network. Previously, Daddyof3 sent the Agent a friend request, allowing the Agent to view and download files from Daddyof3's computer that Daddyof3 selected to share with other users.

The Agent browsed Daddyof3's shared folders and observed that Daddyof3 was sharing approximately 30,000 files. The Agent proceeded to browse Daddyof3's shared folders and observed numerous image and video files depicting child pornography. The Agent selected seventy-two (72) images and a video file of child pornography and began to download these files directly from Daddyof3's computer. Agents were able to determine the IP address of "Daddy of 3." When reviewed, all seventy-two (72) image and video files depicted child pornography, that is, the images showed minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

On June 10, 2009, the Louisville FBI and other law enforcement agents executed a federal search warrant on Nasonov's residence in Louisville, Kentucky. Agents observed numerous computers and performed a preliminary image scan of the computers that revealed thousands of images and movies of child sexual exploitation. In addition, Agents located and observed

images matching the images that were distributed as described above and digital movies of child sexual exploitation involving an infants.

In the event of a conviction, Nasonov faces a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 5 years. The maximum potential penalties include 30 years' imprisonment, a \$250,000.00 fine, and supervised release for a period of at least 5 years and could include life.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joshua Judd and it is being jointly investigated by the Louisville Metro Police Department Crimes Against Children Unit and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

This case was brought as part of **Project Safe Childhood**, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorney's 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](http://www.projectsafechildhood.gov).

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**The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.**

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