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## **MASSACHUSETTS MAN SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS IN PRISON FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES**

WASHINGTON – Douglas L. Wright, 41, of North Chelmsford, Mass., was sentenced to five years in prison to be followed by 10 years of supervised release for transportation and possession of child pornography, announced Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division Lanny A. Breuer, U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts Carmen M. Ortiz, and Richard DesLauriers, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Boston Field Office.

Wright was sentenced yesterday by U.S. District Court Judge Joseph L. Tauro in Boston. On Feb. 17, 2011, Wright pleaded guilty to one count of transportation of child pornography and one count of possession of child pornography. In pleading guilty, Wright admitted to using an online, peer-to-peer file sharing program to transmit computer files containing visual depictions of prepubescent minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct. Wright, a former middle school teacher, also admitted to being interested in child pornography for several years.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafechildhood.gov](http://www.projectsafechildhood.gov).

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael I. Yoon of the District of Massachusetts and CEOS Trial Attorney Bonnie L. Kane of the Criminal Division. The case against Wright was investigated by the FBI with the Chelmsford Police Department providing significant assistance.

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