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Former Nurse's Assistant Sentenced to 50 Years in Prison for Sexual Exploitation of Minors and Child Pornography

NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY – February 10, 2014

United States Attorney Laura E. Duffy announced that today Hector Manuel Carreon, a former nurse's assistant in San Diego, was sentenced by United States District Judge John A. Houston to serve 50 years in federal prison based on Carreon's convictions for sexual exploitation of a child, attempted sexual exploitation of a child, and receipt and possession of child pornography. Carreon was convicted after a trial by the Court in July 2013. Judge Houston also ordered a lifetime of supervised release and mandatory sex offender registration. Carreon has been in custody since his arrest by Special Agents with the Homeland Security Investigations in June 2012.

According to court documents, on June 26, 2012, Homeland Security Investigations executed a federal search warrant where they found Carreon in bed with his underwear pulled down to his ankles with a family member under the age of 10. Agents located multiple computers with child pornography – over 500 images and 900 videos of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct - in the residence. Several videos contained minors under the age of 12. Agents also located three videos of Carreon

sexually molesting two family members who appeared to be drugged in the videos. At sentencing today, Judge Houston stated that it was “apparent” that Carreon had drugged the minors before engaging in the video recording of the sexual molestation.

This case stems from an investigation by Homeland Security Investigations.

DEFENDANT

Case Number: 12CR3149-JAH

Hector Manuel Carreon

Age: 47

San Diego, California

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Title 18, United States Code, Section 2251 (a) and (e) - Sexual Exploitation of a Child and Attempted Sexual Exploitation of a Child

Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(2) and (4) – Receipt and Possession of Child Pornography

INVESTIGATING AGENCY

Homeland Security Investigations