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**Villisca, Iowa, Resident Sentenced to 14 Years
for Receipt of Child Pornography**

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA - On May 7, 2013, Scott Allen Gibbons, a 23 year-old resident of Villisca Iowa, was sentenced to 14 years in prison for receipt of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Gibbons previously pled guilty on January 10, 2013, to the charge of receipt of child pornography.

The charge against Gibbons was the result of an investigation conducted by law enforcement agencies in Iowa and Florida after a complaint by a Florida mother of an eleven year-old boy regarding inappropriate “chats” between the eleven year-old and an adult in Iowa. Investigation showed that Gibbons had established an online relationship with the eleven year-old using a “chat room” component of an on-line game. During the communication, Gibbons convinced the eleven year-old to send to Gibbons a picture of himself constituting child pornography via a text message. The child pornography was located on Gibbons’ cellular telephone by law enforcement, along with similar pictures from unknown prepubescent males.

The investigation was conducted by the Hillsborough County Sheriff Office, Tampa, Florida, and the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation, and the case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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