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## **MAN SENTENCED TO 70 MONTHS** **FOR POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-- U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Christian Barroso, 22, of Hewlett, New York, who was convicted of possession of child pornography, was sentenced to 70 months in prison and 20 years supervised release by U. S. District Judge Charles J. Siragusa.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Tiffany H. Lee, who handled the case, stated that the defendant downloaded and shared child pornography using file-sharing software. Barroso also possessed child pornography on a laptop and a hard drive. Some of the images included sexually explicit depictions of minors under twelve years of age.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States 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 via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafchildhood.gov](http://www.projectsafchildhood.gov).

The sentence was the culmination of an investigation on the part of the New York State Police Computer Crimes Unit, under the direction of Captain Frank Pace, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office under the direction of Mike Green and Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge, Lev J. Kubiak.