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MAN INDICTED ON TRANSPORTING MINOR TO ENGAGE IN PROSTITUTION

BUFFALO, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that federal grand jury in Buffalo has returned a three-count indictment charging D'Shawn Rose, 20, of Toronto, Ontario, with transporting an individual to engage in prostitution, inducing an individual to travel to engage in prostitution, and transporting a minor to engage in prostitution. The charges carry a mandatory minimum penalty of 10 years in prison, a maximum penalty of life, and a fine of \$250,000.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Edward H. White, who is handling the case, stated that according to the indictment, Rose drove the minor from Toronto, Ontario to Buffalo with the intent that the defendant and the minor would then fly from Buffalo to Las Vegas, Nevada where the minor would engage in prostitution. However, Rose and the minor were stopped at the Peace Bridge.

The indictment was the culmination of an investigation on the part of Agents of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection, under the direction of James T. Engleman, Director of Field Operations, and Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, under the direction of James C. Spero, Special Agent in Charge.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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