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<u>LEXINGTON MAN SENTENCED TO 175 MONTHS</u> <u>FOR RECEIVING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY</u>

LEXINGTON, Ky. – A Lexington man, Matthew Ryan Murdoch, 35, has been sentenced to 175 months in federal prison, to be followed by a lifetime term of supervised release, for knowingly receiving child pornography.

On Monday, Senior United States District Judge Joseph M. Hood formally sentenced Murdoch, who must serve 85 percent of his federal prison sentence.

Murdoch previously admitted that, in October of 2016, he knowingly received images of child pornography, by using the uTorrent program on is Android device. A forensic examination of Murdoch's device revealed approximately 4,367 still images and 24 videos of child pornography.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Steven L. Igyarto, Special Agent in Charge, Department of Homeland Security - Homeland Security Investigations; and Kentucky Attorney General Andy Beshear jointly announced the sentence.

The investigation was conducted by the Cyber Crimes Branch of the Department of Criminal Investigations within the Kentucky Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Homeland Security – Homeland Security Investigations. The United States was represented by Assistant United States Attorney David Marye.

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