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Shelbyville Man Sentenced to 72 Months for Distributing Child Pornography

FRANKFORT, Ky. – A Shelbyville, Kentucky, man, Elder Rene Carrillo-Cruz, 28, was sentenced to 72 months in federal prison on Thursday, by United States District Judge Gregory F. Van Tatenhove, for distributing child pornography.

Carrillo-Cruz previously admitted that in March 2018, he knowingly distributed at least one video containing child pornography over the Internet. The investigation was the result of a Cyber Tipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). As a result of the Cyber Tip, the Kentucky State Police conducted an investigation, which led them to obtain a search warrant that revealed evidence of the distribution of child pornography by Carrillo-Cruz.

Under federal law, Carrillo-Cruz must serve a minimum of 85 percent of his prison sentence. He will be under the supervision of the United States Probation Office for 20 years after being released.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Steve Igyarto, Special Agent in Charge, Department of Homeland Security- Homeland Security Investigations (DHS-HSI); and Rick Sanders, KSP Commissioner, jointly announced the sentence.

The investigation was conducted by the DHS-HSI and KSP. The United States was represented by Assistant United States Attorney David Marye.

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