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Somerset Man Sentenced to 408 Months for the Production of Child Pornography

LONDON, Ky. – A Somerset, Kentucky man, Bradley D. Hall, 38, was sentenced to 408 months in federal prison on Thursday, before U.S. District Court Judge Claria Horn Boom, after being convicted of two counts of production of child pornography.

According to his plea agreement, on September 15, 2019, Hall engaged in a conversation with an undercover FBI employee, using the Kik messenger application. Hall admitted to operating a Kik messenger group that focused on child exploitation, and to recording, live streaming, and sending videos of child pornography to the undercover FBI employee.

Hall pleaded guilty in June 2020.

Under federal law, Hall must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence and will be under the supervision of the U.S. Probation Office for ten years, following his release.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and James Robert Brown, Jr., Special Agent in Charge, FBI, Louisville Field Office, jointly announced the sentence.

The investigation was conducted by the FBI. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jenna Reed.

This case was prosecuted 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 U.S. 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.projectsafefchildhood.gov.

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