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St. Thomas Man Sentenced To 78 Months In Prison For Possessing Child Pornography

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ST. THOMAS -- District Court Judge Curtis V. Gomez today sentenced Donne W. Williams, 32, of St Thomas, to 78 months in prison and 15 years of supervised release for possessing child pornography, United States Attorney Ronald W. Sharpe and Ricardo Mayoral, acting special agent in charge of Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) San Juan and U.S. Virgin Islands announced.

Judge Gomez also ordered Mr. Williams to register as a sex offender, perform 400 hours of community service, pay a fine of \$5,000, pay \$27,000 in restitution, and pay a special assessment of \$100.

On October 8, 2015, Mr. Williams pleaded guilty to one count of possessing child pornography. According to court records, Mr. Williams used his laptop computer to download more than 600 child pornography images from a peer-to-peer file sharing network. Those images included adults having sexual intercourse with prepubescent females.

“Adults who engage in this type of crime should know that HSI will not rest until they are brought to justice,” said acting special agent in charge Ricardo Mayoral. “We, working jointly with our local and federal partners, will continue using all resources available and robust 2 investigative authorities to identify you, arrest you and prosecute you.”

Suspected child exploitation or missing children cases may be reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children via its toll-free, 24-hour hotline at 202-514-5678, or U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) at (340) 693-2250.

This case was investigated by HSI and prosecuted by Assistant U.S Attorney Everard E. Potter.