



## MID-MISSOURI INTERNET CRIMES TASK FORCE

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### Media Release

Incident: Arrest for Child Pornography  
Location: Jefferson City Police Department  
Case Number: 2010-0930  
Details:

#### Primary Agencies:

Boone County Sheriff's Dept.  
Boone County Prosecuting  
Attorney's Office  
University of Missouri Police  
Department

#### Associate Agencies:

Jefferson City Police  
Department  
Ashland Police Department  
Auxvasse Police Department  
Boonville Police Department  
Centralia Police Department  
Columbia Police Dept.  
Fayette Police Department  
Fulton Police Department  
Hallsville Police Department  
Jefferson City Police  
Department  
Holt's Summit Police Dept.  
Mexico Department of Public  
Safety  
Moberly Police Department  
Sturgeon Police Department  
Audrain County Sheriff's Office  
Cooper County Sheriff's  
Department  
Callaway County Sheriff's  
Department  
Howard County Sheriff's  
Department  
Randolph County Sheriff's  
Department

On Tuesday, March 16, 2010 a Columbia man was arrested by the Mid-Missouri Internet Crimes Task Force on a Boone County arrest warrant charging him with two counts of the possession of child pornography. This arrest stems from a joint effort by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security-Customs and Immigration Enforcement, The Mid-Missouri Internet Crimes Task Force, the Missouri State Technical and Assistance Team, and the Boone County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

The investigation began in March 2008 when Customs and Immigration Enforcement officers identified the suspect as downloading child pornography over the Internet. On April 2, 2009 Federal agents from the Kansas City Office of US Homeland Security-Customs and Immigration Enforcement assisted by detectives with the Mid-Missouri Internet Crimes Task Force, and the Missouri State Technical and Assistance Team, served a federal court ordered search warrant at the suspect's residence. As a result of that search, numerous items of evidence were seized. The seized evidence was subsequently examined by the federal agents who located photographs of naked children believed to be between nine and twelve years of age. Due to the close working relationship between the US Department of Homeland Security Customs and Immigration Enforcement and the Mid-Missouri Internet Crimes Task Force federal agents referred this investigation to the Task Force on March 1, 2010 for prosecution in Boone County Circuit Court. After reviewing the investigation the Boone County Prosecuting Attorney's Office filed charges against the suspect for two counts of the possession of child pornography on March 15, 2010.

With the assistance of the Jefferson City Police Department, the police located Boneta at his job where they detained Boneta and transferred custody to the Task Force to be transported back to the Boone County Jail.

The suspect is identified as 48 year old Max John Boneta of 5900 Webster Grove Drive, Columbia, Missouri.

All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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Release authorized by: Tracy Perkins, Detective

