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Anderson Police Arrest Swansea Man in Internet Predator Sting

Columbia - Attorney General Henry McMaster announced today that William James Delano Keadle, 26, of 160 Calhoun Road in Swansea, South Carolina, was arrested on November 10, 2009, in an Internet Predator sting conducted by the City of Anderson Police Department.

The City of Anderson Police Department is a member of the Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

Keadle was arrested on one (1) count of Criminal Solicitation of a Minor (§16-15-342), a felony offense punishable to ten (10) years imprisonment, and one (1) count of Attempted Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor (§16-15-342), a felony punishable to twenty (20) years imprisonment.

Arrest warrants allege that beginning October 30, 2009, Keadle solicited sex on the Internet from an individual he believed to be minor girl. In reality, he was soliciting sex from an undercover Anderson Police officer. Keadle further arranged to meet the "girl" for sex and a predetermined location in Anderson. He was arrested upon his arrival at that location.

Keadle was assigned a bond of \$50,000. A booking photo is available through the Anderson County Detention Center.

The Lexington County Sheriff's Office (also a Task Force member) assisted in the case.

This is the one hundred seventy-ninth (179th) arrest for the Task Force.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

McMaster stressed that all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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