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Lexington Sheriff Arrests Local Man In Internet Predator Sting

Columbia - Attorney General Henry McMaster announced today that Dwight J. Kaiser, 22, of 287 Filhol Road in Gilbert, was arrested on January 11, 2007, in an undercover Internet sting conducted by the Lexington County Sheriff's Department.

The Lexington County Sheriff's Department is a member of the Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

Kaiser was arrested on two (2) count of Criminal Solicitation of a Minor (§ 16-15-342), a felony offense punishable to ten (10) years imprisonment on each count.

Arrest warrants allege that Kaiser twice used a computer webcam to solicit sex and demonstrate sex acts on the Internet with an individual he believed to be a thirteen (13) year old girl. In reality, he was communicating with an undercover Lexington County Sheriff's Deputy. The online sex acts allegedly began on August 31, 2006.

A search warrant was executed at Kaiser's parents' residence (505 Windy Road, Gilbert) on January 11, and resulted in the seizure of two (2) computers, a webcam, and other computer-related equipment.

A bond hearing for Kaiser is set for 3:00 p.m. today at the Lexington County Detention Center. A booking photo is available through the Attorney General's Office.

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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