

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## CHILD PORNOGRAPHY ARREST

On October 16<sup>th</sup> at approximately 8:00 A.M., the Fort Lauderdale Police Department, in conjunction with the South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, executed a search warrant at The Bridge at Cordova Hotel located at 1441 Cordova Road, Room J in the City of Fort Lauderdale. Members of the Task Force included the Fort Lauderdale Police Department, Broward Sheriff's Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation and United States Secret Service.

While conducting an undercover investigation, ICAC Detective Robert Mauro of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department located an IP address that was sharing child pornography. Further investigation pin-pointed the exact physical address as 1441 Cordova Road, Room J in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The search warrant yielded over (100) one hundred images and videos depicting child pornography. These images and videos depicted victims as young as (2) two years old being forced to be victims of sexual intercourse.

Further investigation revealed that Fosenbauer used an online webcam service, SKYPE, to meet children in chatrooms. After establishing a rapport with the children, he would then coerce the children to expose their genitals via webcam.

These images and videos will be reviewed by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in an attempt to identify the victims.

The defendant has been identified as Peter Fosenbauer, W/M, 11/10/59 a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Fosenbauer was taken into custody and charged with the following;

- > (20) Counts of Possession of Child Pornography
- > (1) Count of Use of Computer to Obtain Child Pornography
- > (1) Count of Possession of Child Pornography with Intent to Promote

If anyone has any information regarding this incident they are encouraged to contact Detective Rob Mauro at 954-888-1570 or the Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-8477 (TIPS).

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