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NEWS RELEASE

Incident Date: December 14, 2021

Locations: San Carlos, California & Kent, Ohio

Type of Crime/Incident: PC 311.11(a) Possession of Obscene Material

Involving a Minor Under 18

Suspects: Arrested – Paul Bukovac - 22 years old, Kent, Ohio

Summary:

San Carlos, Ca – In May, 2021, San Mateo County Sheriff's Deputies assigned to the San Carlos Police Bureau were notified of a report of an unknown subject extorting and manipulating juveniles to send nude photographs and videos over the internet.

After a lengthy investigation, Sheriff's Detectives along with law enforcement from the Kent Ohio Police Department and Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force worked collaboratively resulting in a search warrant being served at a residence in Kent, Ohio. **Paul Bukovac** was arrested by Kent Police on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 during the search warrant. Kent Police seized devices from the residence which contained sexually exploitative photographs and videos of victim's ranging from 5-15 years old, from California to the United Kingdom.

Bukovac was arrested and charged for Ohio state violations of *Illegal Use of a Minor in Nudity-Oriented Material (Felony 2)*, and *Pandering Obscenity Involving a Minor or Impaired Person (Felony 2)*.

Anyone who has information regarding this incident is encouraged to call the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office Investigations Bureau (Detective J. Baker) at **650-363-4060 or email** ibaker@smcqov.org.

Written by: Lieutenant Jacob Trickett, Investigations Bureau

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