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Internet Luring of a Child Suspect in Custody

During the month of January 2014, the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Investigators began an investigation of an individual via the internet. An investigator, using an undercover 14-year-old female profile, had ongoing communication with the individual, wherein he described explicit sexual conduct and detailed how he wanted to engage in sexual intercourse with the 14-year-old. During the investigation the individual was identified by investigators as:



Joshua Cory Theys
Age 29

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Although Theys had indicated he was planning to travel to the City of Centennial from Colorado Springs to meet with the 14-year-old for the purpose of engaging in sexual relations, investigators elected to take immediate action due to Theys' potential risk to children.

In cooperation with the Colorado Springs Police ICAC unit, investigators contacted Theys at his residence in Colorado Springs. Theys was interviewed by investigators and a search warrant was executed on his residence and vehicle; several items of evidence were seized.

Theys was taken into custody and booked into the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Detention Facility for the following charges:

18-3-306 Internet luring of a child, a class 4 Felony

18-3-405 (Attempt) Sexual assault on a child, a class 5 Felony

Bond \$50,000.00

If you have any information related to this incident, or other allegations of criminal behavior involving Joshua Theys, please contact the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office at 303.795.4711.

For additional information, please contact Captain Larry Etheridge at 303.994.8580.

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