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MANNING MAN ARRESTED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Xavier John Fulwood (DOB: 01/18/1993) of Manning, S.C. on twenty (20) counts involving the sexual exploitation of minors. The Attorney General's Office, which supervises the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, made the arrest.

The ICAC Task Force received referrals from investigators at the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office and the Columbia Police Department (both are members of the ICAC Task Force) that images depicting children engaged in sexual activity had been disseminated from an account traced to Fulwood's residence. A search warrant was executed on January 17, 2013 by officers from the Clarendon County Sheriff's Office and special investigators from the ICAC Task Force. Computer and media equipment were seized for further investigation.

Fulwood admitted to downloading child pornography. He was transported to the Clarendon County Detention Center. He is charged with twenty (20) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to ten (10) years imprisonment on each count. Bond was denied.

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

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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