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West Columbia Man Arrested on Child Pornography Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Anthony Perez-Soto (DOB: 1995) of West Columbia, S.C., on eleven (11) charges connected to sexual exploitation of minors. The Lexington County Sheriff's Office, a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, made the arrest. Investigators from the South Carolina Attorney General's Office assisted in the case.

Investigators state that Perez-Soto was involved in downloading child pornography via a file-sharing network.

Perez-Soto was arrested on June 9, 2016. He is charged with five (5) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Second Degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to (10) years imprisonment; and with six (6) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Third Degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to ten (10) years imprisonment on each count.

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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