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### **BUREAU COUNTY MAN ARRESTED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGE**

Chicago — Attorney General Lisa Madigan today said that a Bureau County man was arrested Wednesday after a search of his residence turned up two desktop computers and an external hard drive allegedly containing images and movies with child pornography.

The Bureau County Sheriff's Department, assisting investigators from Attorney General Madigan's office, arrested Christopher O. Lutz, 40, of the 400 block of High Street in Buda. He was charged with one count of Possession of Child Pornography, a Class 3 felony, and is being held on \$10,000 bond in the Bureau County Jail. Lutz will be arraigned on May 17, 2010, in Bureau County Circuit Court.

"This case is an example of the work that we do with local law enforcement to investigate cases involving the possession and distribution of child pornography," said Madigan. "I appreciate the work of Bureau County law enforcement in this case."

The charge is the result of a six-month undercover operation by Attorney General Madigan's High Tech Crimes Bureau with the assistance of the Bureau County Sheriff's Department and the Bureau County State's Attorney's Office, which will prosecute the case. The public is reminded that the charges are merely accusations. The defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Through her High Tech Crimes Bureau, the Attorney General oversees the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force with a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. The ICAC task force is one of 62 similar organizations nationwide designed to investigate child exploitation crimes and provide Internet safety education and training programs. As of March 31, 2010, the Illinois ICAC task force provided Internet safety training and education to more than 122,000 parents and students and 10,117 law enforcement officers and prosecutors. For more information about the Attorney General's efforts to protect children from high tech crimes, visit <http://www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/communities/index.html>.

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