



SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: June 2, 2011

TOPIC: Possess/Produce Child Pornography – Child Molestation

CASE NUMBER: 11S-04421

SUSPECTS:

1. Heraclio Castrejon Ramirez 22yrs – Santa Cruz Resident

INFORMATION:

On June 1, 2011, members of the Santa Cruz Police Department Street Crimes Unit stopped a car driven by Mr. Ramirez. Mr. Ramirez had a 14 year old female as a passenger in the car. The officer's investigation showed both Mr. Ramirez and the 14 year old to be under the influence of narcotics.

As the officers investigated further, they found illicit photos of the 14 year old girl on Mr. Ramirez's phone. Officers were able to determine that Mr. Ramirez had taken several illicit photos of the 14 year old over the past 2 weeks. There was also a video of Mr. Ramirez engaging in sexual conduct with the 14 year old.

In an eventual interview, Mr. Ramirez admitted to knowing the girl's age and engaging in both drug use and illicit sexual activity with her on multiple occasions. Mr. Ramirez was arrested and booked into Santa Cruz County Jail on charges of Possession of Child Pornography, Manufacturing Child Pornography, Child Molestation, Being Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance, and Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor.

The 14 year old girl was booked into the Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall for being under the influence of a controlled substance. Her parents were notified of the arrest. Detectives are continuing their investigation into the Child Pornography aspect of this case.

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