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Quentin Lewis, 33, arraigned on 67-count indictment following a multiyear investigation

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 33-year-old Quentin Lewis was arraigned on a 67-count secret indictment that charges him with nine counts of compelling prostitution, nine counts of promoting prostitution, three counts of rape in the third degree, eight counts of sodomy in the third degree, eight counts of sodomy in the first degree, 24 counts of sexual abuse in the second degree and six counts of using a child in a display of sexually explicit conduct.

According to the indictment, the alleged crimes occurred through December of 2006 and December 2009 in Multnomah County, Oregon.

It is alleged that Lewis, on multiple occasions, unlawfully and knowingly induced and caused a person under the age of 18 years to engage in commercial sex trafficking and that he received and agreed to receive money knowing that the funds were derived from commercial sex trafficking.

Additionally, it is alleged in the indictment that Lewis, on multiple occasions, raped a person under the age of 16 years and that he committed other sex crimes upon the victim, including sexual abuse.

The indictment alleges that Lewis unlawfully and knowingly used a child to engage in sexually explicit conduct for a person to observe.

The indictment in this case was issued on February 20, 2019. Upon filing of the indictment, a warrant was issued for Lewis' arrest. Members of the Portland Police Bureau took Lewis into custody at approximately 4 p.m. on February 20, 2019 in the area of Southeast Powell Boulevard and Interstate 205.

On February 21, 2019, Lewis was arraigned on the indictment at the Multnomah County Justice Center.

His next court date is scheduled for April 5, 2019.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office recognizes the Portland Police Bureau and its Detective Division for their efforts on this multiyear investigation.

This remains an ongoing investigation and as such, no additional information can be released by the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office.

This case is being litigated by the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office Human Trafficking Team, which includes two attorneys, an investigator and a victim advocate. Additionally, an attorney assigned to the MCDA gang unit is available to help prosecute cases and support the team as trafficking routinely intersects with gang violence.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office Human Trafficking Team works to protect victims utilizing a three-prong approach: (1) aggressively prosecuting those who traffic victims to sex buyers; (2) reducing demand for exploitation in all forms to include a dedicated focus on a reduction of sex buyers; and (3) ensuring adequate protection and support for victims of human trafficking.

If you are involved in sex trafficking, please call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888 or 9-1-1.

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