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PRESS RELEASE

CHARGED:

DANIEL J. BOESCH BLAIR, NEBRASKA DOB: JULY 18, 2000

The above individual was charged following an investigation by The Warren County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit and the Lopatcong Township Police Department.

In July of 2023, the Lopatcong Township Police Department initiated an investigation for Endangering the Welfare of a Child. During the investigation, the LTPD acquired assistance from the Warren County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit. The investigation revealed that the defendant was using Snapchat to communicate with an eleven year old female in New Jersey. Additionally, the defendant was posing as a thirteen year old boy during those conversations. During these conversations the defendant and victim exchanged explicit messages. The defendant further threatened to post explicit images of the victim online. Daniel Boesch was identified as a suspect and was located residing in or around the City of Blair, Washington County, Nebraska. With the assistance of the Washington County Sheriff's Office, a search warrant was conducted on the residence of Boesch, at which time he was taking into custody on non-related probation violations. Several devices were seized during the execution of the search warrant. A post search warrant investigation revealed other non-related information which warranted the assistance of the Department of Homeland Security Investigations. The multi-jurisdictional investigation into this matter remains ongoing.

The defendant has been charged with the following:

- 1) Endangering the Welfare of a Child, in violation of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2C:24-4a(1), a third degree offense. This offense carries a maximum of five (5) years in the New Jersey State Prison, with a minimum of three (3) years.
- 2) Endangering the Welfare of a Child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4(b)(5)(iii)(a third degree offense, specifically for possession of child sexual abuse material. This offense carries a maximum of five (5) years in the New Jersey State Prison, with a minimum of three (3) years.
- 3) Attempted Cyber Harassment, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1(A)(3)/2C:33-4.1(A)(3), third degree offense, specifically for possession of child sexual abuse material. This offense carries a maximum of five (5) years in the New Jersey State Prison, with a minimum of three (3) years.

The Warren County Prosecutor's Office and the Lopatcong Township Police Department are asking anyone with information regarding this individual to contact the Warren County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit at 908-475-6275.

Please be advised that the charges are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable goubt in a court of law.

Approved by:

Date: January 25, 2024

JAMES L. PFEIFFER

Warren County Prosecutor