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Private Tutor Sentenced to Federal Prison for Sexual Exploitation of Children

PORTLAND, Ore.—A Beaverton, Oregon, man was sentenced to federal prison today for sexually exploiting a child online.

Erlend Secret Vikar aka Joshua Evan Huff, 41, was sentenced to 15 years in federal prison and 30 years of supervised release. He was also ordered to pay \$3,000 in restitution to one of the victims.

“Internet crimes that exploit children are deplorable and lead to long-term impacts to the children who are targeted and victimized,” said U.S. Attorney Scott E. Bradford. “Today’s 15-year sentence reflects that seriousness. Our office is dedicated to protecting children from these insidious crimes.”

According to court documents, from around November 2022 through August 2023, Vikar messaged and video chatted with a 16-year-old child who lives in Germany, coercing her to engage in sexually explicit conduct. Vikar met the victim on Reddit and later communicated with the child on Discord. He was able to gain the victim’s trust and then sent the victim pornographic videos and photos and coerced the minor to send him sexually explicit photos and videos. Many of the videos he received of the minor were made according to his requests. He further coerced the victim to contact other men online. Vikar, who had legally changed his name from Joshua Evan Huff is believed to have worked as a Private Tutor in Beaverton.

Vikar was arrested in October 2024 in Cloverdale, Virginia.

On November 19, 2024, a federal grand jury in Portland returned a 2-count indictment charging Erlend Vikar with coercion and enticement of a minor and sexual exploitation of children.

On April 27, 2026, Vikar pleaded guilty to the charge sexual exploitation of children.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Eliza Carmen Rodriguez.

Anyone who has information about the physical or online exploitation of children is encouraged to call the FBI at 1-800-CALL-FBI (1-800-225-5324) or submit a tip online at tips.fbi.gov.

Federal law defines child pornography as any visual depiction of sexually explicit conduct involving a minor. It is important to remember child sexual abuse material depicts actual crimes being committed against children. Not only do these images and videos document the victims' exploitation and abuse, but when shared across the internet, re-victimize and re-traumatize the child victims each time their abuse is viewed. To learn more, please visit the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children at www.missingkids.org.

This case was brought in collaboration with Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the DOJ's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

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