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PRESS RELEASE

Multiple Police Agencies along the gulf coast released information on a collaborative undercover “sting” operation, targeting escort services/individuals listed on Craig’s List; who engage in prostitution activities. These agencies consisted of D’iberville Police, Biloxi Police, Gulfport Police, Ocean Springs Police, Jackson County Sheriff’s Department, Jackson County Narcotics Task Force and Harrison County Sheriff’s Office.

Representatives from the agencies reported 17 arrest were made. The arrest involved charges of prostitution and possession of controlled substances. Agency participants said this activity involves many different types of crime. The main focus is public safety. Anytime this activity is presented, the possibility of public safety being jeopardized is greatly increased. We want to send the message that this activity is not welcomed here and we will target ALL who engage in illegal sexual acts.

The operation involved undercover operatives establishing themselves as a normal “john” and contacting services. All arrested agreed to sexual acts in exchange for money once they met undercover officers. Two of those arrested are from the Jackson, MS area and have been on the coast for two weeks.

More arrests are anticipated as a result of this operation. If you have any information regarding these cases or the aforementioned services, please contact your local law enforcement agency.

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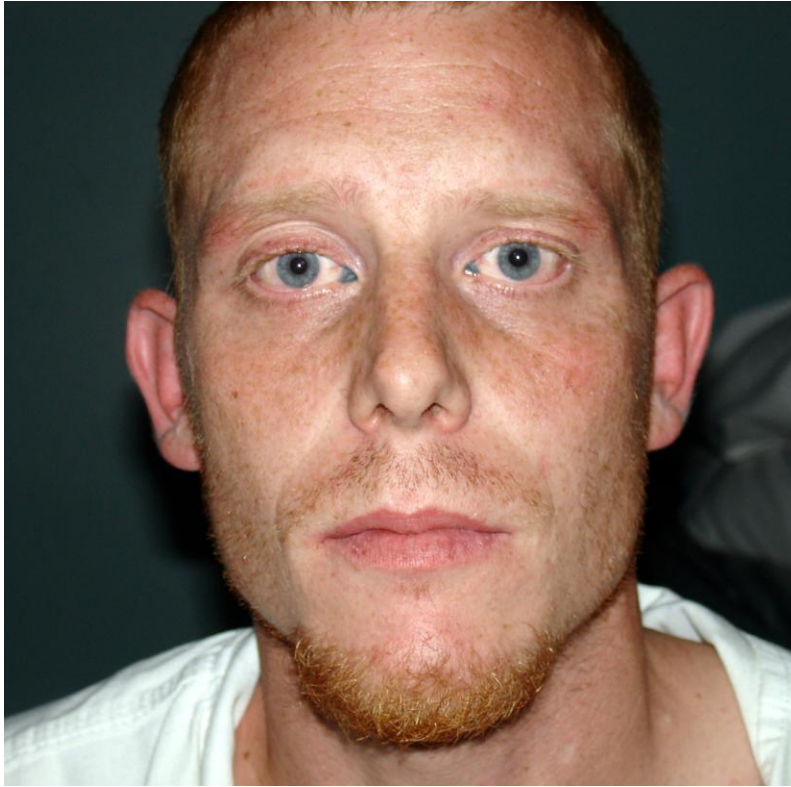
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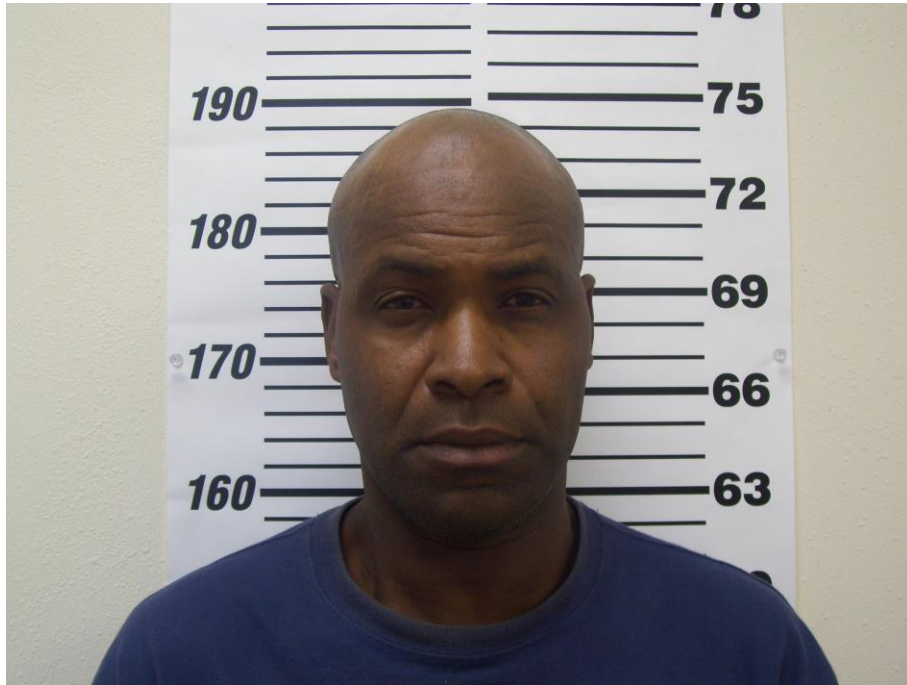
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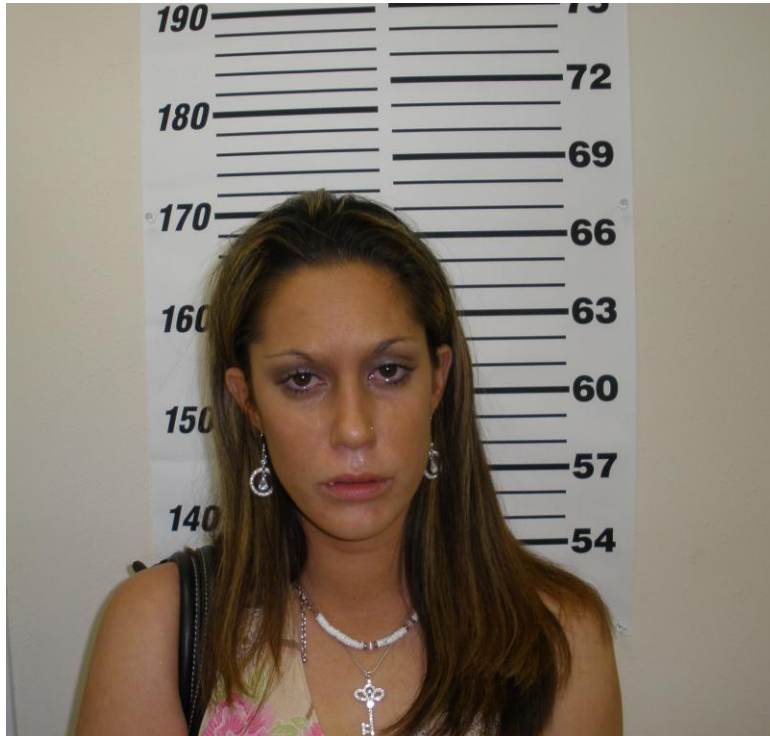
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