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MAN CHARGED IN INTERNET LURING CASE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a Minnesota man accused of initiating sexually explicit conversations over the Internet with a person he believed to be a 14-year-old girl and then trying to meet her.

Charles Morris (dob: 11-14-70) is charged with internet sexual exploitation of a child (F4) and internet luring of a child (F4).

The charges allege that on May 27, 2008, Morris used an online chat room to contact someone Morris believed to be a 14-year-old girl. Morris is accused of initiating sexually explicit conversations, sending pornographic images, and arranging to meet the "girl" at a Denver area hotel with the intent of engaging in sexual contact. The person he thought was a teenage girl was actually a Denver Police Investigator.

On June 1, 2008, Denver Police set up surveillance at a Denver area hotel and took Morris into custody without incident. Morris remains in custody in the Denver County Jail; his bond was set at \$50,000. He is scheduled to be advised of the charges on June 6, 2008 at 9 a.m. in Denver Country Court, room 12T.

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The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. *See* Colo. RPC 3.6