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Tuscola County Resident Arrested for Aggravated Child Sexually Abusive Activity and Using a Computer to Commit a Crime

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VASSAR, MICH. The Michigan State Police (MSP) Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force is announcing the arrest of Quintin Pierre Smith, 20 of Vassar, for aggravated child sexually abusive activity, child sexually abusive activity, aggravated child sexually abusive material possession, accosting children for immoral purposes, child sexually abusive material possession, and using a computer to commit a crime.

Smith was arrested following an investigation in which digital evidence was seized from Smith, who is on probation, by the Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC) Tuscola County Probation for allegations of illicit activity. Child sexually abusive material was located by the MDOC and turned over to the ICAC Task Force for further investigation.

Smith was charged with two counts of aggravated child sexually abusive activity, eight counts of child sexually abusive activity, ten counts of Using a computer to commit a crime, two counts of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material, one count of accosting a child for immoral purpose, and eight counts of possession of child sexually abusive material. Smith was arraigned in 71B District Court on Tuesday, Sept. 20.

The MSP Computer Crimes Unit encourages parents to speak to their children about the safe use of the internet. There are many resources available to parents to assist in keeping children safe online. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provides a comprehensive list of resources on their website at <http://www.missingkids.org>. The MSP ICAC Task Force also provides resources at <http://www.michiganicac.com>.

If you have information regarding possible child sexual exploitation, report it to the CyberTipLine at <http://www.missingkids.org/cybertipline>.

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The MSP Computer Crimes Unit frequently investigates offenders who do not use their real names online. Because of this anonymity, news outlets should contact the Tuscola County Jail or D/Tpr/Spl. Brandon Rutt to obtain a photograph of Smith.

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