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## MEDIA RELEASE

### INTERNET LURING OF A CHILD SUSPECT IN CUSTODY

On June 29, 2013, a concerned parent contacted the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office and reported that an unknown subject contacted her 13-year-old daughter, via the internet, in an attempt to establish a sexual relationship with her daughter.

Upon receiving the report, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Investigators initiated a criminal investigation. Investigators, posing as the 13-year-old female, communicated with the unknown subject using the internet and text messaging. During those communications, the subject claimed to be a 30-year-old male and made arrangements to travel to Centennial, from Colorado Springs, Colorado. The subject made the request to pick up the 13-year-old girl and take her to a different location to engage in sexual activity. Investigators were able to arrange a time and location to meet the subject.

On August 2, 2013, at about 7:30 p.m., an undercover female Investigator, disguised as the 13-year-old, made contact with the subject at the prearranged meeting location in the 6900 Block of South University Boulevard. The male subject was taken into custody without incident, and identified as:



**Stribling, Benjamin Clinton**  
**Age: 30**  
**Elbert, Colorado**

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Investigators determined that Stribling is a registered sex offender on parole. Stribling was transported to the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Detention Facility and is being held on the following:

- **Internet Luring of a Child, a Class 4 Felony - Bond \$50,000.00**
- **Parole Violation – No Bond**

If you have any information related to this incident, or other allegations of criminal behavior involving Benjamin Stribling, please contact the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office at (303)795-4711.

For additional information, please contact Undersheriff David Walcher at (720) 874-4176.

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