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### **Ammon Man Sentenced for Possessing Sexually Exploitative Materials**

POCATELLO – Richard Montgomery Layton, 23, of Ammon, Idaho, was sentenced in United States District Court today to 60 months in prison for possessing sexually exploitative materials, U.S. Attorney Wendy J. Olson announced. U.S. District Judge Edward J. Lodge also ordered Layton to serve ten years of supervised release following his prison term.

Layton pleaded guilty to the charge on June 28, 2011. According to court documents, Layton admitted that between October 21 and 31, 2010, he possessed over 200 sexually explicit images involving minors on his computer media.

“This sentencing shows the consequences facing those who use the Internet to sexually exploit juveniles,” said Leigh Winchell, the special agent in charge who oversees ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) in Idaho. “Tragically, every time sexually explicit photos and videos of minors are downloaded, the young people shown are victimized again. HSI agents in Idaho are using every tool at their disposal to keep our children safe – whether they are around the block or around the world.”

The case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), the Idaho Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), and the Bonneville County Sheriff's Office.

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