



HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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*****PRESS RELEASE*****

For Immediate Release

On Thursday July 28, 2016, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced the arrest of 28 year old Tyrekus Eiland who resides at 2020 Napoleon St. Ocena Springs, MS on a felony charge of Enticement of a Child to Meet for Sexual Purposes.

According to Sheriff Troy Peterson, Eiland initiated a conversation with an undercover officer with the Internet Crimes Against Children task force via text message in March of this year. During this time Eiland believed he was communicating with a fourteen year old female and convinced her to meet for sex. Eiland arranged the meet to take place at the Biloxi Lighthouse Pier Thursday at 1:00pm. Eiland was taken into custody by agents from the I.C.A.C. Task Force which is composed of officers from Biloxi Police Department, D'Iberville Police Department Homeland Security Investigations and the Harrison County Sheriff's Department.

Tyrekus Eiland was booked into the Harrison County Adult Detention Facility and charged with one count of Enticement of a Child to Meet For Sexual Purposes. Eiland is being held in lieu of a \$50,000.00 dollar bond set by Justice Court Judge Albert Fountain.

Investigative Officer: _____

Arresting Officer(s): _____

Approved For Release: _____

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi