

MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Subject: **SUSPECT ARRESTED FOR POSSESSION OF CHILD
SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL**

The City of Miami Police Department's Special Victims Unit arrested **Francisco Ramon Cruz Rodriguez, D.O.B. 10/12/1972**, for possession of child sexual abuse material. Through investigative means, the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Detectives discovered the suspect uploaded approximately 482 videos and pictures of child sexual abuse material online.

Detectives were swift and gathered sufficient evidence to obtain and execute a search warrant at the suspect's residence, located at 498 S.W. 6 Street. Pursuant to the search warrant, detectives located and seized several electronic devices belonging to the suspect. A preliminary forensic examination of a USB drive found in the suspect's bedroom contained several images and videos of child sexual abuse material. Additionally, several inappropriate screenshots of the suspect exposing himself while engaged in video phone calls with prepubescent minors were located. The suspect was then taken into custody and interviewed by detectives.

He was arrested and charged with **(15)** counts of **Sexual Performance By A Child/Possession** and **(2)** counts of **Sexual Performance By A Child/Promote**. Please see the attached redacted Arrest Affidavit.

Through meticulous investigative work, detectives were able to successfully bring a perpetrator of such despicable acts to justice and prevent further harm to innocent children.

The Miami Police Department will always remain steadfast in its commitment to combatting crimes against children. We urge our community to report any suspicious activities or information related to child sexual abuse.

Anyone with information or who has been victimized by the suspect is urged to contact the Miami Police Department's Special Victims Unit at (305) 603-6300. Those with information that wish to remain anonymous can contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (8477), visit www.crimestoppersmiami.com and select "Give a Tip" or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by the tip information and press send.

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