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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: Wednesday – November 16, 2022
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NATURE OF INCIDENT: Child Sexual Abuse Arrest

DEFENDANT: **Ryan G. Blew** (25 years of age)
Sinking Spring, PA

CHARGES: Unlawful Contact with a Minor (F3)
Criminal Use of a Communication Facility (F3)
Sexual Abuse of Children (F3)
Corruption of Minors (M1)
Indecent Assault (M2)

DETAILS OF INCIDENT:

On Monday, August 22, 2022, the Berks County District Attorney's Detectives received a Childline Referral from the Department of Human Services, Commonwealth of PA, which reported that the defendant sent pictures of his genitals to a 15-year-old boy and had also tried to touch the child's genitals. Based upon this report, a criminal investigation was initiated by the Berks County Detectives.

On Tuesday, August 23, 2022, the child victim met with Berks County Detectives. The victim disclosed that he met the defendant when he was either 9 or 10 years of age. That they communicated via social media app "Snapchat". Between the years 2021 and 2022, the defendant touched the victim's genitals on one occasion, and sent him pictures of his genitals via "Snapchat" on multiple occasions.

On Tuesday, August 30, 2022, the defendant was interviewed by members of the Berks County Detectives. The defendant admitted that he "may have" sent pictures of his exposed genitals to the victim on one or two occasions. He denied touching the victim inappropriately.

On Tuesday, August 30, 2022, a search warrant was served on the defendant's cellular telephone. A forensic examination conducted on the device confirmed communications between the victim and the defendant. Also discovered on the device was a video depicting an unknown, underage male engaged in a sexual act.

On Tuesday, November 15, 2022, the defendant was charged with Unlawful Contact with a Minor, Criminal Use of a Communication Facility, Sexual Abuse of Children, Corruption of Minors, and Indecent Assault. A warrant of arrest was issued for the defendant.

On Wednesday, November 16, 2022, the defendant surrendered to the Berks County Detectives.

The defendant was transported to the Central Processing Center located at the Berks County Courthouse. He will be fingerprinted and photographed.

The defendant is expected to be arraigned later this afternoon.

A Criminal Complaint is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.