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Taber man charged following ICE investigation

Taber... On Tuesday, May 31, the Alberta Law Enforcement Response Team's Internet Child Exploitation (ICE) Unit, assisted by the Taber Police Service, arrested and charged Curtis David PARADEE, 42, of Taber, Alberta.

Mr. Paradee has been charged with:

- communicating via computer with a person under 18 for the purpose of committing an offence;
- communicating via a computer with a person under 16 for the purpose of committing an offence;
- invite/counsel/incite a person under the age of 16 to touch; and
- accessing child pornography.

ICE Staff Sergeant Steve LORNE and Taber Chief of Police Alf RUDD will be available for comments on Tuesday, May 31, at 3 pm at the Taber Police Service office (5700-50 Avenue).

The US Department of Homeland Security alerted Canadian authorities of illegal activity in 2010, reporting that a young female from the United States was allegedly involved in a cyber-relationship using various social media. The offences are alleged to have occurred between July and October of 2010. On May 31, a search warrant was conducted at Mr. Paradee's residence where police seized computers and computer-related hardware for forensic examination.

Mr. Paradee was arrested without incident and is currently in custody. He will appear for a judicial hearing to set a court date.

ICE is a provincial unit and part of the Alberta Law Enforcement Response Team. ICE officers have the training and expertise to assist police services in complex computer types of investigations. ALERT is an umbrella organization established by the Government of Alberta to bring together the province's most sophisticated law enforcement resources to tackle serious and organized crime. Close to 400 municipal police, RCMP and sheriffs work for ALERT.

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