# CHAPTER 25A

# SOLICITATION OF CHILDREN AND CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

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#### ARTICLE 1

# **ELECTRONIC DISPLAY AND ENTICEMENT**

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### § 25A101. Legislative Findings and Intent.

*I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that there is a critical need to clearly and explicitly define material that is obscene, material that is pornographic for minors and child pornography, as well as to update Guam's laws to protect children from internet predators. The internet is arguably the most important learning tool of the Twenty-first (21st) Century. Unfortunately, the same internet also poses one of the greatest threats to child safety.

It is the intent of *I Liheslatura* to ensure that our laws are strong enough to adequately protect Guam's children from online predators and child pornography and to severely punish the offenders.

#### § 25A102. Indecent Electronic Display to a Child.

(a) Any person who intentionally masturbates or intentionally exposes the genitals of him or herself, or of another, in a lewd or lascivious manner live over a computer online service, internet service, or local bulletin board service, and who knows or should know or has reason to believe that the transmission is viewed on a computer or other device capable of electronic data storage or transmission, by:

(1) a minor known by the person to be under the age of eighteen (18) years;

(2) another person, in reckless disregard of the risk that the other person is under the age of eighteen (18) years, and the other person is under the age of eighteen (18) years; or

(3) another person who represents him or herself to be under the age of eighteen (18) years is guilty of indecent electronic display to a child.

(b) Indecent electronic display to a child is a Third Degree Felony.

(c) It shall not constitute a defense against any charge or violation of this Section that a law enforcement officer, peace officer, or other person working at the direction of law enforcement was involved in the detection or investigation of a violation of this Section.

§ 25A103. Electronic Enticement of a Child as a Third Degree Felony.

(a) Any person who, using a computer online service, internet service, or any other device capable of electronic data storage or transmission to solicit, lure, or entice, or attempt to solicit, lure, or entice:

(1) intentionally or knowingly communicates:

(A) with a minor known by the person to be under the age of eighteen (18) years;

(B) with another person, in reckless disregard of the risk that the other person is under the age of eighteen (18) years, and the other person is under the age of eighteen (18) years; or

(C) with another person who represents him or herself to be under the age of eighteen (18) years,

(2) with the intent to promote or facilitate the commission of an unlawful sexual act or sexual offense in violation of Guam law, or another criminal offense as set forth in Title 9 GCA Chapter 89, § 89.01, is guilty of electronic enticement of a child as a Third Degree Felony.

(b) Electronic enticement of a child under this Section is a Third Degree Felony.

(c) Each separate use of a computer online service, internet service, or any other device capable of electronic data storage or transmission wherein an offense described in this Section is committed may be charged as a separate offense.

(d) It shall not constitute a defense against any charge or violation of this Section that a law enforcement officer, peace officer, or other person working at the direction of law enforcement was involved in the detection or investigation of a violation of this Section.

**SOURCE**: Amended by P.L. 31-246:2 (Dec. 6, 2012).

# § 25A104. Electronic Enticement of a Child as a Second Degree Felony.

(a) Any person who, using a computer online service, internet service, or any other device capable of electronic data storage or transmission:

(1) intentionally or knowingly communicates:

(A) with a minor known by the person to be under the age of eighteen (18) years;

(B) with another person, in reckless disregard of the risk that the other person is under the age of eighteen (18) years, and the other person is under the age of eighteen (18) years; or

(C) with another person who represents him or herself to be under the age of eighteen (18) years,

(2) with the intent to promote or facilitate the commission of a felony, or another criminal offense as set forth in Title 9 GCA Chapter 89, § 89.01, agrees to meet with the minor, or with another person who represents him or herself to be a minor under the age of eighteen (18) years; and

(3) intentionally or knowingly travels to the agreed upon meeting place at the agreed upon meeting time, is guilty of electronic enticement of a child as a Second Degree Felony.

(b) Electronic enticement of a child under this Section is a Second Degree Felony.

SOURCE: Amended by P.L. 31-246:2 (Dec. 6, 2012).

# § 25A105. Electronic Enticement of a Child as a First Degree Felony.

(a) Any person who, using a computer online service, internet service, or any other device capable of electronic data storage or transmission:

(1) intentionally or knowingly communicates:

(A) with a minor known by the person to be under the age of eighteen (18) years;

(B) with another person, in reckless disregard of the risk that the other person is under the age of eighteen (18) years, and the other person is under the age of eighteen (18) years; or

(C) with another person who represents him or herself to be under the age of eighteen (18) years,

(2) with the intent to promote or facilitate the commission of a felony:

(A) that is murder or aggravated murder as defined in Title 9 GCA Chapter 16;

(B) that is a first degree felony; or

(C) that is another criminal offense as set forth in Title 9 GCA Chapter 89, § 89.01, agrees to meet with the minor, or with another person who represents him or herself to be a minor under the age of eighteen (18) years; and

(3) intentionally or knowingly travels to the agreed upon meeting place at the agreed upon meeting time, is guilty of electronic enticement of a child as a First Degree Felony.

(b) Electronic enticement of a child under this Section is a First Degree Felony.

SOURCE: Amended by P.L. 31-246:2 (Dec. 6, 2012).

# ARTICLE 2 Child Pornography

- § 25A201. Definitions.
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- § 25A203. Dissemination of Child Pornography.
- § 25A204. Production of Child Pornography.

# § 25A201. Definitions.

As used in this Chapter:

(a) Child pornography means any pornographic visual representation, including any photograph, film, video, picture, or computer or computer-generated image or picture, whether made or produced by electronic, mechanical, or other means, of sexual conduct, if:

(1) the pornographic production of the visual representation involves the use of a minor engaging in sexual conduct; or

(2) the pornographic visual representation has been created, adapted, or modified to appear that an identifiable minor is engaging in sexual conduct.

(b) Community standards means the standards of Guam.

(c) Computer means any electronic, magnetic, optical, electrochemical, or other high-speed data processing device performing logical, arithmetic, or storage functions, and includes, all computer equipment connected or related to such a device in a computer system or computer network, but shall not include an automated typewriter or typesetter, a portable hand-held calculator, or other similar device.

(d) Computer equipment means any equipment or devices, including all input, output, processing, storage, software, or communications facilities, intended to interface with the computer.

(e) Computer network means two (2) or more computers or computer systems, interconnected by communication lines, including microwave, electronic, or any other form of communication.

(f) Computer program or software means a set of computer-readable instructions or statements and related data that, when executed by a computer system, causes the computer system or the computer network to which it is connected to perform computer services.

(g) Computer services includes, but is not limited to the use of a computer system, computer network, computer program, data prepared for computer use, and data contained within a computer system or computer network.

(h) Computer system means a set of interconnected computer equipment intended to operate as a cohesive system.

(i) Data means information, facts, concepts, software, or instructions prepared for use in a computer, computer system, or computer network.

(j) Lascivious means tending to incite lust to deprave the morals with respect to sexual relations, or to produce voluptuous or lewd emotions in the average person, applying contemporary community standards.

(k) Material means any printed matter, visual representation, or sound recording and includes, but is not

limited to, books, magazines, motion picture films, pamphlets, newspapers, pictures, photographs, and tape or wire recordings.

(1) Minor means any person less than eighteen (18) years old.

(m) Pornographic shall have the same meaning as in Title 9 GCA Chapter 28, Article 2.

(n) Sadomasochistic abuse means flagellation or torture by or upon a person as an act of sexual stimulation or gratification.

(o) Sexual conduct means acts of sexual penetration, sexual contact, masturbation, bestiality, sexual penetration, deviate sexual intercourse, sadomasochistic abuse, or lascivious exhibition of the genital or pubic area of a minor.

(p) Visual representation includes, but is not limited to, undeveloped film and videotape and data stored on computer disk or by electronic means that are capable of conversion into a visual image.

(q) Disseminate means to publish, sell, distribute, transmit, exhibit, present material, mail, ship, or transport by any means, including by computer, or to offer or agree to do the same.

# § 25A202. Possession of Child Pornography.

(a) A person commits the offense of possession of child pornography if, knowing or having reason to know its character and content, the person possesses:

(1) child pornography;

(2) any book, magazine, periodical, film, videotape, computer disk, electronically stored data, or any other material that contains an image of child pornography; or

(3) any pornographic material that employs, uses, or otherwise contains a minor engaging in or assisting others to engage in sexual conduct.

(b) The fact that a person engaged in the conduct specified by this Section is prima facie evidence that the defendant had knowledge of the character and content of the material. The fact that the person who was employed, used, or otherwise contained in the pornographic material was, at that time, a minor is prima facie evidence that the defendant knew the person to be a minor.

(c) Possession of child pornography under this Section is a Second Degree Felony.

# § 25A203. Dissemination of Child Pornography.

(a) A person commits the offense of dissemination of child pornography if, knowing or having reason to know its character and content, the person:

(1) disseminates child pornography;

(2) reproduces child pornography with intent to disseminate;

(3) disseminates any book, magazine, periodical, film, videotape, computer disk, electronically stored data, or any other material that contains an image of child pornography;

(4) disseminates any pornographic material that employs, uses, or otherwise contains a minor engaging in or assisting others to engage in sexual conduct; or

(5) possesses ten (10) or more images of any form of child pornography regardless of content, and the content of at least one (1) image contains one (1) or more of the following:

(A) a minor who is younger than the age of fourteen (14);

(B) sadomasochistic abuse of a minor;

(C) sexual penetration of a minor; or

(D) bestiality involving a minor.

(b) The fact that a person engaged in the conduct specified by this Section is prima facie evidence that the defendant had knowledge of the character and content of the material. The fact

that the person who was employed, used, or otherwise contained in the pornographic material was, at that time, a minor is prima facie evidence that the defendant knew the person to be a minor.

(c) Dissemination of child pornography under this Section is a First Degree Felony.

# § 25A204. Production of Child Pornography.

(a) A person commits the offense of production of child pornography if, knowing or having reason to know its character and content, the person produces, manufactures, reproduces, copies, photographs, films, videotapes, video captures, creates, directs, promotes, advertises, publishes, issues, or presents to show any visual depiction of child pornography as defined in § 25A201 of this Chapter, or any pornographic material where:

(1) the production of such visual depiction involves the use of a minor engaging in sexual conduct;

(2) such visual depiction is a digital image, computer image, or computer-generated image that is, or is indistinguishable from, that of a minor engaging in sexual conduct;

(3) such visual depiction has been created, adapted, or modified to appear that an identifiable minor is engaging in sexual conduct;

(4) there is visual material containing the lewd or lascivious display of a minor's intimate area underneath clothing or sexual conduct of a minor; or

(5) there is visual material containing the display of a minor's intimate area underneath clothing that is prohibited under 9 GCA § 70.35.

(b) The fact that a person engaged in the conduct specified by this Section is prima facie evidence that the defendant had knowledge of the character and content of the material. The fact that the person who was employed, used, or otherwise contained in the pornographic material was, at that time, a minor is prima facie evidence that the defendant knew the person to be a minor.

(c) Production of child pornography is a First Degree Felony.

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