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Task Force Arrests Man Accused of Sexual Assault on Minors

Yuma, AZ. – On August 1, 2025, Juan Daniel Tamayo was captured by members of the U.S. Marshals Service Arizona WANTED Violent Offender Task Force, in Yuma. Tamayo was wanted on fifteen (15) counts related to sexual offenses against minors, including aggravated criminal sodomy, aggravated indecent liberties with a child and aggravated kidnapping among other charges.

It is alleged that for three years, from 2014 and continuing through 2017, Juan Daniel Tamayo sexually assaulted two victims in the state of Kansas. Both victims of the sexual assault were then under 7 years of age. The state of Kansas indicted Tamayo on the sexual assault charges and an arrest warrant was issued for his apprehension.

"Many sex offenders who prey on children believe when they cross state lines, or if enough time goes by, they are free from arrest and prosecution," said District of Arizona U.S. Marshal Van Bayless. "The arrest of Juan Tamayo, today in Yuma, clearly demonstrates that this is definitely not the case".

Tamayo left Kansas and has been residing in the Yuma area with family. On July 31, 2025, the Somerton Police Department requested assistance from the US Marshals Service. After a swift yet thorough investigation, the WANTED Violent Offender Task Force located Tamayo in Yuma and Tamayo was arrested by members of the U.S. Marshals Task Force without incident. Tamayo was booked in at the Yuma County Jail awaiting extradition to Kansas to face charges.

The Arizona WANTED Violent Offender Task Force is a U.S. Marshals Service led multi-jurisdictional fugitive apprehension unit responsible for more than 1,748 arrests in the last year. The task force is comprised of 22 agencies bringing together the resources of federal, state and local law enforcement to locate and arrest the community's most violent offenders and sexual predators. Additional information about the U.S. Marshals Service can be found at:

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