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Chittenden Unit for Special Investigations

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INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Aggravated Sexual Assault	September 2019	
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCATION:	
19BU019945	Burlington, VT	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Detective Mike Chistolini	802-652-4236	
AUTHOR:	APPROVED BY:	
Det. Sgt. Brian LaBarge	Det. Sgt. Brian LaBarge	
SUSPECT:	AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:
Kevin S. Martell	52	St. Albans, VT
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:		
Mr. Martell was brought to Chittenden County court to be arraigned this afternoon.		

In September 2019, the Chittenden Unit for Special Investigations (CUSI) was contacted by the St. Albans Police Department regarding a report of a Sexual Assault that took place in Burlington, VT several years ago. The complainant victim reported that Mr. Kevin Martell had sexually assaulted her when she was a juvenile.

During the investigation, it was determined that Mr. Martell was on the Vermont sex offender registry after being convicted of 7 counts of possession of child pornography in May 2014. Concerning Mr. Martell's possession of child pornography conviction, Detectives from the Northwest Unit for Special Investigations (NUSI) arrested Mr. Martell in November 2006. Mr. Martell pled guilty to seven counts of possession of child pornography in 2008 but before he could be sentenced, Mr. Martell fled Vermont and a warrant was issued for his arrest. Martell was eventually arrested in December 2013 after spending nearly five years on the run. Mr. Martell is currently under the supervision of the Vermont Department of Corrections. Corrections records indicate Mr. Martell had a minimum release date of 12/15/2018 and a maximum release date of 12/07/2048.

As a result of this investigation, it was determined that Mr. Martell sexually assaulted the victim prior to his 2006 arrest by NUSI Detectives. This morning Detectives from CUSI located and arrested Mr. Martell at his residence in St. Albans, VT. Mr. Martell was subsequently processed and transported to court pending his arraignment.

A person convicted of the crime of aggravated sexual assault in violation of Title 13 V.S.A. § 3253a8 shall be imprisoned for an indeterminate life sentence in accordance with Title 13 V.S.A § 3271.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of sexual assault, there is support available. Even if the assault did not happen recently, there are resources to help you decide what is best for you, including free medical treatment, advocacy and support. You don't have to go through this alone. There is a whole community ready to support you. For more information, call the state-wide confidential hotline, 800-489-7273, or see the website for the VT Network against Sexual and Domestic Violence, www.vtnetwork.org.

Thank you,
Detective Sergeant Brian LaBarge

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