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Detectives Arrest Hoover High School Coach for Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material

Detectives with the Central California Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) have booked 38 year old Miguel Lara of Fresno into the Fresno County Jail for possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM).

On Thursday, detectives followed up on a CyberTip and contacted Miguel Lara at an apartment complex located at 4909 N. Backer Ave. in northeast Fresno. Detectives arrested Lara for possession of CSAM and his electronic devices were collected for further analysis.

At the time of this arrest, Lara was working as the interim coach of the boys' soccer team at Hoover High School in Fresno. Fresno Unified School District has been made aware of his arrest.

Given Lara's position of trust and regular access to minors, investigators are asking anyone with information related to this case, or anyone who may have been a victim that has not yet come forward to please contact Detective Jovan Tamayo at (559) 761-3659. Tips may also be submitted to Valley Crime Stoppers at (559) 498-7867 or online at www.valleycrimestoppers.org You will remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward.

*Central California ICAC is comprised of 66 federal, state and local law enforcement agencies spread throughout nine counties in the Central Valley. It is dedicated to protecting children online and investigating crimes committed against children, which are facilitated by the internet and computer usage.