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Jury Returns Guilty Verdict in Colonie “Traveler” Case



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that DANTE CAMACHO, 23, of Albany, was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Sex Act in the Second Degree, a Class E Felony, and (1) Count of Attempted Rape in the Second Degree, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

The jury found that on November 11, 2016, CAMACHO travelled to the Radisson Hotel on Wolf Road in the Town of Colonie to engage in sexual activity with a teenager he believed to be 13 years old. CAMACHO had previously engaged in online chats to arrange the meet-up with

an individual he believed was bringing the girl to the hotel. The person on the other end of the online conversation was actually a member of law enforcement.

“These types of cases are often referred to as “traveler” cases, as an individual will arrange an encounter online and then travel in to our jurisdiction to engage in illegal activity with a minor. Let this be a clear lesson – Albany County is not a place to engage in this conduct,” commented DA David Soares.

CAMACHO was remanded and remains in custody without bail, and faces up to 4 years in State Prison when sentenced on November 15, 2018.

Assistant District Attorney Jennifer McCanney of the Special Victims Unit prosecuted this case.

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