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**Statement from DOI Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn Regarding Firefighter Ryan Hogan's  
Guilty Plea to Transmitting Obscene Images to a Minor**

This case has been especially troubling because Firefighter Hogan attempted to exploit a member of the public, someone whom he had been trained to protect and respect. New Yorkers should know that Firefighter Hogan's shocking and unlawful behavior is not representative of the vast majority of hard-working, law-abiding members of New York's Bravest.

Commissioner Gill Hearn also thanked FDNY Commissioner Nicholas Scoppetta for bringing this matter to DOI's attention.

Background information:

This morning, before United States Judge Frederick Block in Brooklyn Federal Court, New York City Firefighter Ryan Hogan pleaded guilty to knowingly and intentionally attempting to transfer obscene matter to another individual who was younger than 16 years of age. As a result of his guilty plea, Hogan's employment with the FDNY will be terminated, he must register as a sex offender and obtain psychological treatment.

In May 2004, Hogan was arrested after he had transmitted over the Internet as a live feed obscene images of himself to someone using the screen name "cuteashley4U1990," and who had told Hogan that she was 14 years old and resided with her mother in Bethpage, Long Island.

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