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ARIZONA SEX OFFENDER ARRESTED IN MEXICO

PHOENIX – On Thursday afternoon, Christopher Wayne Scalf was arrested in the city of Guaymas, in the Mexican state of Sonora. Scalf had been wanted since 2006 by the Yavapai County Superior Court for violating the terms of probation. Scalf was further sought by Yavapai County for failing to register as a sex offender.

In 2002, Scalf was convicted of two counts of Attempted Sexual Conduct with a Minor. The charges stemmed from an incident wherein Scalf, then an employee at a Prescott-area fast food establishment, seduced a 14-year old customer into taking Scalf to her mother's house and engaging in sexual intercourse with Scalf. The child's mother was asleep at the time of the occurrence. Scalf engaged in repeated sexual acts with the victim on at least three other occasions. As a result, Scalf was arrested and ultimately sentenced to a lifetime term of probation. Scalf then absconded supervision and fled the United States.

In 2014, Deputy U.S. Marshals, working closely with Yavapai County law enforcement and Mexican police through the U.S. Marshals Service's Mexico Investigative Liaison program, developed information that Scalf, a U.S. citizen, was hiding out in the state of Sonora, in the Republic of Mexico. On February 20, 2014, Scalf was apprehended without incident and deported to the United States. He was taken into custody at a port of entry and booked into jail.

"Christopher Scalf is just another child predator who refused to abide by the conditions imposed upon him by the Court" said David P. Gonzales, U.S. Marshal for the District of Arizona. "Once again, the U.S. Marshals Service has proven that child predators are our top priority."

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