



# Australian Jewish studies principal jailed for porn

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SYDNEY, Australia (JTA) — A former Jewish studies teacher was remanded to custody while awaiting sentencing for his participation in a global child porn ring.

Sentencing for Paul Benjamin, 41, a one-time deputy principal of Jewish studies at the Emanuel School, was set last Friday in Sydney's District Court for Dec. 22. Benjamin, who pleaded guilty earlier this year, faces up to 18 months in prison.

He was one of 22 men arrested last December during a bust of a child pornography racket involving people in more than 50 countries.

Benjamin resigned from the Emanuel School following his arrest and was not believed to have been involved in illegal activity there.

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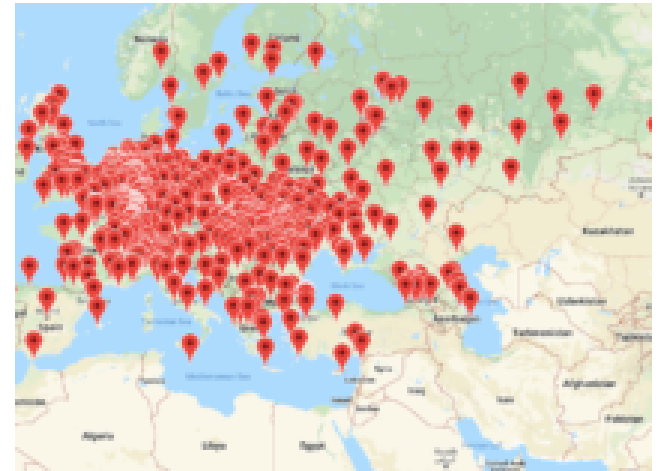
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