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DPS statement regarding Warren Jeffs convictions

DPS Director Steven McCraw released the following statement today, following the conviction and sentencing of Warren Steeds Jeffs on one count of aggravated sexual assault of a child and one count of sexual assault of a child, for which he received a punishment of life in one case, plus 20 years in prison on the other case.

“The conviction and sentencing of Warren S. Jeffs is another milestone in this investigation in which seven other members of the FLDS have been convicted of the sexual assault of children, resulting in sentences ranging from six to 75 years. It sends a clear message to would-be pedophiles: The sexual exploitation of children will not be tolerated in Texas.

“DPS personnel including the Texas Rangers worked closely with the Texas Attorney General’s Office, Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran, 51st Judicial District Attorney Steve Lupton, the San Angelo FBI office and Child Protective Services to investigate these sexual abuse cases. I am proud of the work done by the investigative and prosecutorial team, and I congratulate them for a job very well done.”

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