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### Child Molester Surrenders at LAX

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Alleged Child Molester in Custody: Michael Norris Surrenders at LAX

When 67 year old Michael Norris landed at the Los Angeles International Airport on a direct flight from Costa Rica late last night, he knew Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Detectives were waiting for him.

Sheriff's Investigators, along with FBI and United States Customs agents, boarded the plane and took Norris into custody. Norris, who had a warrant for his arrest in Santa Barbara County on multiple counts of child molestation charges surrendered to authorities without incident. Norris was transported to the Santa Barbara County jail where he was booked and is being held on \$200,000 bail.

The arrest was a coordinated effort between investigators from the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Felony Fugitives and Criminal Investigative Divisions and United States officials in Costa Rica who assisted in monitoring Norris' whereabouts and ensuring he boarded the plane.

The arrest follows an investigation that began in February of 2012 involving allegations that Norris had sexually abused a minor over the course of several years during the time he lived in Carpinteria. Norris moved to the farm town of Quepos, Costa Rica in 2006. A warrant was issued for his arrest in December of 2012. When Norris learned of the warrant he agreed to return to Santa Barbara County and negotiated his surrender with Sheriff's investigators.

Norris is charged with multiple counts of child molestation including but not limited to continual sexual abuse of a minor, contact with a minor with the intent to commit sexual abuse, distributing and producing pornography to a child and aggravated sexual assault of a child under 14 years of age.

An arraignment date has not been set.



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## Child-Molestation Suspect Arrested at LAX

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Michael Norris

A man accused of sexually abusing a child in Santa Barbara County over several years was arrested Thursday night at [Los Angeles International Airport](#) shortly after his plane from Costa Rica touched down, according to the [Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department](#).

Michael Norris, 67, formerly of Carpinteria, is charged with multiple counts of child molestation, including but not limited to continual sexual abuse of a minor, contact with a minor with the intent to commit sexual abuse, distributing and producing pornography to a child, and aggravated sexual assault of a child under 14 years of age, according to sheriff's spokeswoman Kelly Hoover.

An investigation began in February 2012 involving allegations that Norris had sexually abused a minor from 2003 to 2006 while he lived in Carpinteria, Hoover said.

Norris moved to the farm town of Quepos, Costa Rica, in 2006, and a warrant was issued for his arrest in December 2012, Hoover said.

When Norris learned of the warrant, he agreed to return to Santa Barbara County and negotiated his surrender with sheriff's investigators.

The arrest was a coordinated effort between investigators from the sheriff's Felony Fugitives and Criminal Investigative Divisions and U.S. officials in Costa Rica who assisted in monitoring Norris' whereabouts and ensuring he boarded the plane.

Norris was on a direct flight from Costa Rica Thursday when sheriff's Investigators, along with [FBI](#) and [U.S. Customs](#) agents, boarded the plane and took the man into custody.

He was transported to the Santa Barbara County Jail where he was booked and was being held on \$200,000 bail. An arraignment date has not been set, Hoover said.

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### Alleged child molester surrenders at LAX

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, Calif. -

A Santa Barbara County man is in jail Friday after surrendering to authorities at the Los Angeles International Airport.

A warrant was issued for the arrest of Michael Norris for allegedly sexually abusing a minor while he lived in Carpinteria.

Santa Barbara County Sheriff investigators, the FBI and United States Customs agents took Norris into custody without incident Thursday evening.

Norris has been living in Quepos, Costa Rica since 2006.

The 67-year-old man is charged with multiple counts of child molestation, contact with a minor with the intent to commit sexual abuse and producing and distributing pornography to a child.

An arraignment date has not been set. Norris is being held on \$200,000 bail at Santa Barbara County Jail.

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