

Exhibit 3.1

Factors Contributing To the Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth

Domain	Contributing Factors
Macro/Contextual (External)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Socio-economic • Societal attitudes toward children and youth • Social anomie among children and youth, i.e., a lack of connectedness on the part of youth with the larger society and their place within it • Poverty • Child victims of crime and violence • Societal responses to crimes committed against children, including sexual crimes • The presence of pre-existing adult prostitution zones • The presence of groups advocating child-adult sexual relationships • Sexual behavior of unattached and transient males including the military, seasonal workers, truckers, motor cycle gangs, conventioners • Community knowledge and attitudes concerning HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases
Micro/Situational (External)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Socio-Behavioral <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Family dysfunction ○ Parental drug dependency ○ History of physical and/or sexual assault ○ Personal drug dependency ○ School/other social performance failures ○ Gang membership • Active recruitment into prostitution by others <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Peers ○ Parents or other family members (including siblings) ○ Local pimps ○ National and or international crime organizations
Individual (Internal)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Psychogenic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Poor self esteem ○ Chronic depression ○ External locus of control • Seriously restricted future orientation

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