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## PEDOPHILIA AND CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

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**CHILD PORN / METER PRESENTS 2015 REPORT: MORE THAN ONE MILLION PHOTOS AND VIDEO REPORTED, 125,000 SITES REPORTED SINCE 2003. THE SOCIAL NETWORKS AND DEEP WEB, NEW PITFALLS OF THE NET; EUROPE HOMELAND OF PAEDOPHILES (1).**

Rome, 15 March 2016 - Over one million photos and videos reported, over 125,000 sites reported in 12 years, nearly 10,000 only in 2015. The explosion of social networks and cloud archives, but also the dark side of the Web Deep: this, and more, is contained in the 2015 Report that Father Fortunato Di Noto's Meter Association NPO ([www.associazionemeter.org](http://www.associazionemeter.org)) presented today in Rome. A document that represents all the numbers of pain encountered over the Internet by Meter volunteers in 2015. Dramatic figures that indicate one thing, that pedophilia today uses many channels to spread its stuff, but especially social networks, online archives and the Deep Web, the dark side of the Internet. This year, then the number of reports related to the company had a real blast: 3,414 against only 180 in 2014. And it is just the beginning.

**GROWTH OF SITES REPORTED** - Even in 2015 the market of pedophilia and child pornography online did not have a break: we are talking about 9,872 sites reported compared to 7,712 in 2014; in 2015 we sent 3,169 protocols sent to the Italian Postal Police - National Centre for Child Pornography Online Contrast (CNCPO). We recall that Meter and Italian Postal Police signed a cooperation protocol in 2008 and we stress that truthfulness and reliability of data we present emerges through comparison of Meter data with those of Polpost, Catania branch. Other reports, in 2015, have also been sent to police forces of foreign countries. From 2003 to 2015 Meter reported 125,365 sites.

**EUROPE, HOMEAND OF ONLINE CHILD PORN** - Let's see where are pedophiles and where they produce and sell their stuff. We begin saying that the podium of shame sees the 51,92% of reports (2,655) come from Europe; Oceania with 1,094 (21.39%) and closes this trio Africa with 555 (10.85%). There remain Americas (437 reports, 8.55%) and Asia (373 reports, 7.29%). Europe was also confirmed in 2015, the "headquarters" of pedophile culture, all that production - also of documents - of online propaganda that wants to justify the rape of a child from a few days old to 12 years of age as "love" on historical or "philosophic" bases.

**RUSSIA, HEADQUARTERS OF ONLINE PEDOHILIA** - In the Old Continent are the first level domains ".ru", or Russian ones, to grab most of the reports to police. Of 2,655 reported, 1,569 concern sites in Russia, followed by Slovakia (825) and the Czech Republic (89). Montenegro ranks #4 with 67 and Italy ranks #9 with 8 reports. One more is totalized from Spain, while there are even first level domains entitled to a nation that no longer exists: the Soviet Union (.su), which totals 6 reports immediately after Italy. The list also appears

Reunion, French overseas department we include - as a French territory - in the European list, despite being in the Indian Ocean. Among “unexpected” nations we have Switzerland, with 2 reports. Last Lithuania, with 1 report. We add to the margin that generic and specific domains have reported 9,872: those .com (3,069 head)

**OCEANIA NEW ZEALAND RANKS #1** - Turning to the second continent on the podium of shame, Oceania sees New Zealand with 561 reports (.nz suffix), but become 562 if we include Tokelau, which belongs to the country (.tk suffix). Second place went to Tonga (504 reports) and West Samoa (13 reports). Finally we have Cocos Islands (9), Palau (4), Australia with 2, and to close with Tokelau: 1 recommendation. Total reports: 1,094.

**AFRICA, MAURITIUS AND LIBYA AT THE FIRST PLACES** - Africa accounts, as stated above, for 555 reports. Mauritius has the biggest amount of reports (274); Libya ranks #2, with 171 reports. Interestingly, Tripoli, despite the political problems that is facing, continues to be - and it is a trend that we note a few years - a country chosen by pedophiles for “friendly” websites, servers and portals. Third place on shame podium went to Mayotte, another French overseas department in the north of Mozambique: 77 reports. The fourth of the St. Helena Island, British Overseas Territory: 19 reports. Followed by Gabon (6), Burundi (5), Equatorial Guinea (2), Uganda (1).

**AMERICAS, FIRST THE UNITED STATES** - Of 437 reports, the first country in the world is also the first of its continent to occupy the top step of the podium of shame. The United States of America totaled 381 reports, followed by Saint Vincent and The Grenadines (23), Saint Pierre et Miquelon (13), also a French overseas territory neighboring with Canada. Then we have Suriname (7), Grenada (5), Trinidad and Tobago (4), Argentina and Belize with 2 apiece reports.

**ASIA, INDIA BASE PREFERRED BY PEDOPHILES** - We close with Asia, which totals 373 reports. First place goes to India, with 326 reports; Japan 24, China and Kazakhstan 7, 5 Taiwan, 3 Armenia, Tajikistan 1.

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(CONTINUED) **DEEP WEB, LAST FRONTIER** - About Deep Web, we could say that it is like the dark side of the moon: everyone knows it's there, but no one has ever seen it. Problem is that *Meter* sees it every day, because pedophiles are gradually moving their business and their trades on the Deep Web and particularly the archives you can hide in this electronic “no man's land”. *Meter* scours this submerged zone of the Net: it is very difficult to find and explore, and we have to note with regret that police forces around the world have no idea how to intervene, while politicians are completely disinterested in such a hidden phenomenon yet very serious and dangerous.

**PICTURES WE CAN NOT SHOW** - We debated, in *Meter*, about the possibility to publish images of child pornography. We would want to inform, make aware everybody about the drama of child abuse. We can not show them because professional ethics and Italian laws (we would be accused of dissemination of child pornography) prevent us to do so.

But we can give you our data: in 2015 we identified this stuff, divided for age group:

Age	0-3 years old	4-13 yo
Pictures	8,75	1,172,164
Videos	4,2	72

**SOCIAL NETWORK, BOOM OF REPORTS** - As we said, pedophiles use various channels for the marketing of their material. We must say that there are not only social: Bitly, a URL shortening service, totaled 3,068 reports. Follow Vkontakte (107), Linkbugs (80) Facebook (66). Close Google+ (56), Twitter (22), Blogspot (10), Youtube (5). Comparing the data with those of 2014, salt Vkontakte (34 to 107 reports), Linkbugs (from 63 to 80), Facebook (32 to 66), Google+ (20 to 56). Alfemminile.com this year had no reports. We must point out that generally social networks are ready to shut down the profiles we signal to them as suspect.

It must be said that the social networks allow pedophiles two types of pleasure: through words, because they make others share their “business”; through the vision, because pedophiles thanks to social networks locate and disseminate their obscene images or videos. We renew our call not to post pictures of your children on social networks: they are the best free gift for pedophiles.

**TELEMATIC ARCHIVES, CLOUD COMPUTING HELPS PEDOPHILES** - Now online storage seem to be more popular among pedophiles, but they have a drawback: they are more vulnerable and identifiable by *Meter*. Here is the official *Meter* list:

Archive	Links	Pictures	Videos
Dropbox	677	30,332	12,634
iCloud	89	2,683	3,791
Box.com	83	50,637	22,677
Mega	80	3,759	3,009

**FAMILY DIFFICULTIES , SICILY RANKS #1** - The majority of phone calls received by our call center which became cases followed by *Meter*, are 73. 53 of them come from Sicily, 6 from Lazio, 3 from Calabria, 2 from Liguria, 1 each from Apulia, Emilia Romagna, Lombardy, Marche, Abruzzo. We received 3 foreign phone calls, many anonymous. Issues of cases followed by *Meter* concerned: family problems (23), sexual abuse (18), relationship difficulties (7), anxiety and dangers of the Net (5). Bullying, cyberbullying and sexual harassment totaled 1 call per issue (4), 3 cases of online grooming, 2 of physical abuse, 1 of sexting and 1 about child porn stuff possession.

**CENTER OF LISTENING AND FIRST RECEPTION, GROW CASES** - Let us now to talk about the center of listening and initial reception , the real heart *Meter* . In 2015 we followed 73 cases (there were 66 in 2014) and provided 928 telephone consultations ( 729 the previous year ) . From 2002 to 2015, 1,126 cases have been followed.

**PHONE ADVICE, SICILY, LAZIO AND CALABRIA ON THE PODIUM** - National hotline 800 455 270 or the institutional phone number (0931-564872) received in 2015 928 phone calls. Podium for Sicily (652), Lazio (101), Calabria (45), followed by Lombardy (31), Campania (17) Brands (13) Veneto (12), Apulia (11), Piedmont (8), Liguria and Tuscany 6, Sardinia 4, Friuli 3, Umbria and Basilicata 2. Abruzzo 1. We also received

6 anonymous calls and 4 from abroad (one each from Poland, Albania, Slovakia and Taiwan). From 2002 to 2015 Meter has disbursed 25,379 telephone consultations.

We dealt with various subjects (668), spiritual advice (77), interviews (40), sexual abuse also allegedly dating back over time (23), legal advice (21), reporting of suspicious sites (17), psychological counseling for sexual abuse (17), online grooming (16), family problems (12), consulting in schools (10), media reporting and other (6), discovered after years of abuse (5), children competed in separation and theses (4 each), complaints maltreatment (3), cyberbullying, cyberstalking, online pedophilia (3), foster care and adoptions (2). This service has been activated only in October 2015.

**SCHOOLS, METER MET 99,000 BOYS AND GIRLS** - Even in the past year, Meter held 125 meetings in schools. We met with 9,029 students and 1,355 teachers; from 2002 to 2015 we met 99,837 children.

**METER AND THE CHURCH, 125 MEETINGS IN THE DIOCESES** - But Meter is also in the Catholic Church: from 2002 to 2015 we met 53 dioceses (13 this year), and held 125 meetings in the dioceses. We talked about pedophilia and pitfalls of the Network (119 meetings, 95,20%), family (4 meetings, 3.20%), education and social commitment (2 meetings, 1.60%).

**FR. DI NOTO: SILENCE IS A CRIME, LET US CONTINUE TO FIGHT** – For Father Fortunato Di Noto, the Sicilian priest founder of *Meter*, “In the fight against pedophilia you win even when you are not silent in front of the abuse. Who is silent commits a crime. We shall continue to fight pedophiles in this neverending struggle, because ours is a commitment to defend life since 1989” says.