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Report Released Today

Male Teacher Arrested For Sexual Relationship With A 13-year-old Female Student

Today, Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard J. Condon released a report detailing an investigation which found that 44-year-old Charles Oross, a teacher assigned to IS 238 in Queens, had a sexual relationship with a 13-year-old female student when she attended the school. Oross also engaged in inappropriate e-mail and Facebook communications with the girl.

Today, investigators from the Special Commissioner's office arrested Oross who was charged with rape, criminal sexual act, and endangering the welfare of a child. The matter will be prosecuted by the Queens County District Attorney's Office; Special Commissioner Condon thanks Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown and his staff.

Special Commissioner Condon recommended to Chancellor Walcott that Oross's employment be terminated and that Oross be made ineligible for future positions with the City school system. Since mid-November 2011, Oross has been reassigned away from the school. His current assignment is to his home.

The Office of the Special Commissioner of Investigation is part of the New York City Department of Investigation and Special Commissioner Condon reports to Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn.