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### LA County Couple Charged with Operating Online Sex Services Business

VENTURA, Calif. – Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Kebin Dong (DOB 02/01/88) and Wei Nie (DOB 08/08/85), of Hacienda Heights, have been charged with four felony counts for their alleged roles in running a sex services business. Both defendants are charged with conspiracy to commit a crime and three counts of pimping.

The married couple allegedly owned and operated an internet-based website advertising commercial sex services and facilitating appointments at numerous residential and hotel locations statewide, including sites in Ventura County. Earlier this month, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office and partner agencies executed search warrants in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties. Multiple sex workers were contacted including three in Ventura County.

The charges filed by the Ventura County District Attorney's Office relate specifically to the three identified sex workers in Ventura County. They do not encompass the additional individuals identified elsewhere in the statewide investigation.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Twyla Atmore, a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Sexual Assault Unit, is prosecuting the case.

Dong and Nie made their first court appearance on February 17, 2026, and pled not guilty to all charges. They are scheduled for an early disposition conference on February 26, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in courtroom 12 of the Ventura County Superior Court. Both remain in custody with bail set at \$50,000.

Commercial sexual exploitation often operates in plain sight, within residential neighborhoods, short-term rentals, and local hotels or motels. Community awareness plays a critical role in prevention. If you see suspicious activity, say something. Report concerns to law enforcement so investigators can intervene, protect victims, and prevent these crimes from taking root in other

locations throughout Ventura County. Community members can also contact the 24/7 Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-800-636-6738.

**Case: 2026004213**

**Defendant Information:**

Kebin Dong (DOB 02/01/88)

Wei Nie (DOB 08/08/85)

Hacienda Heights

**Charges:**

- PC 182(a)(1) – Conspiracy to commit a crime
- (3 counts) PC 266h(a) - Pimping