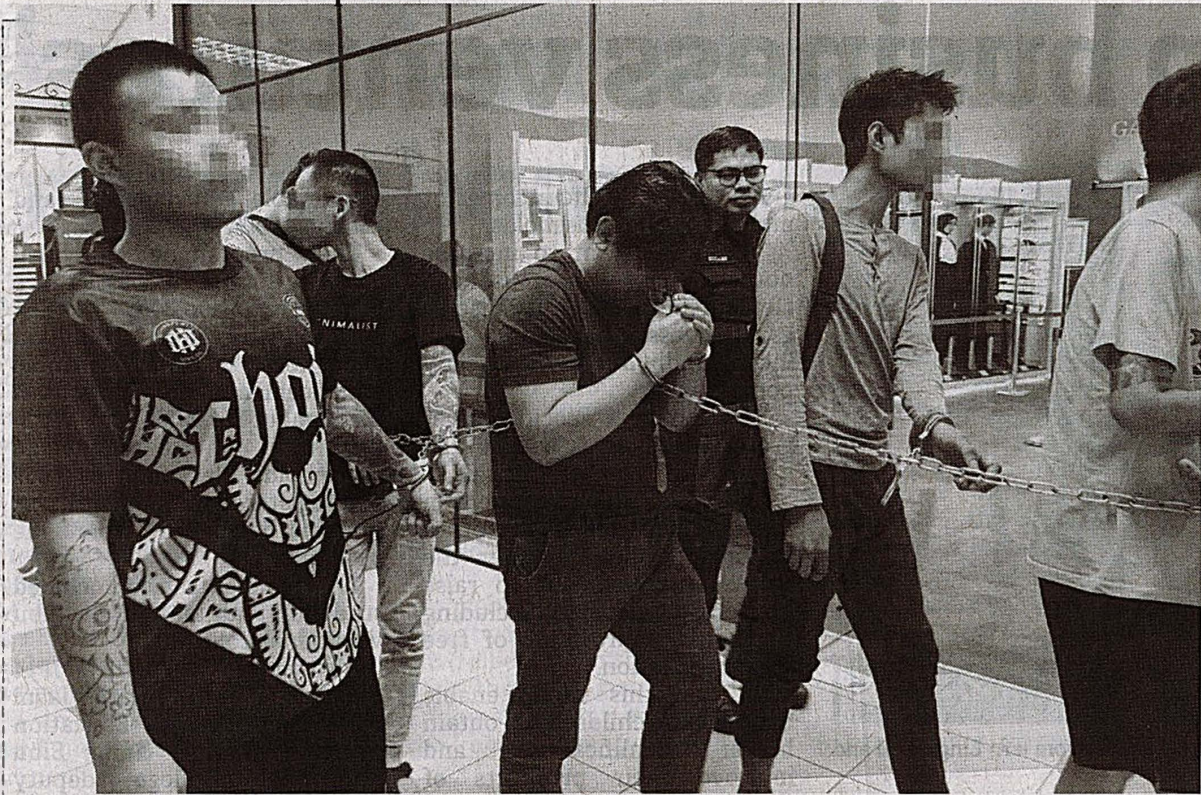




The man attempts to shield his face as he is escorted from the courtroom.

Kuching man jailed, fined for having child porn items on laptop

KUCHING: The Magistrates' Court here has sentenced a 38-year-old man to eight months in jail and fined him RM5,000, in default three months in prison, for possessing 2,774 child pornography materials on his laptop.

Magistrate Ling Hui Chuan convicted the man on his own guilty plea a charge under Section 10 of the Sexual Offences Against Children Act 2017 for accessing, or having in one's possession or control, any child

pornography.

The Section provides for up to five years in prison, a maximum RM10,000 fine, or both, upon conviction.

Ling also ordered him to undergo supervision for one year at Batu Kawa police station.

The man was charged with possessing child sexual abuse material on his laptop at a house in Batu Kawa here, at around 9am on Sept 14.

Based on the facts of the case, upon receiving information from

the Malaysia Internet Crime Against Children (MICAC) Unit in Bukit Aman on pornographic activities carried out by the man, police arrested him and seized his laptop during an inspection of the house.

Further investigation found 2,774 child pornographic videos and photos on his laptop.

Deputy public prosecutor Ahmad Fauzulutfi Suriani appeared for the prosecution, while the man was unrepresented by counsel.