Dartmouth Police arrest 7 in prostitution, commercial sexual exploitation sting operation

"DARTMOUTH, MA — On Thursday, February 1, 2024, members of the Dartmouth Police Department Investigative Services Division, in partnership with the Massachusetts State Police High Risk Victims Unit, conducted an undercover sting operation to combat the growing threat of prostitution and commercial sexual exploitation.

Throughout the day and night, detectives working in an undercover capacity arranged to meet with suspects at a local hotel/motel through an online ad that was posted.

As a result of the operation, a total of seven (7) men were arrested and charged with sexual conduct for a fee.

According to Dartmouth Chief of Police, Brian P. Levesque, "This operation was the direct result of our commitment to combating the ongoing issues that we are experiencing at our local hotels and motels. Though it is impossible to completely eradicate the inherent problems that come with the transient environment that these establishments support, I would like it to be known that we, along with our partners at the State Police, will be taking further progressive measures to suppress this activity moving forward."-Dartmouth Police Department.

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