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JUSTICE PRECINCT OFFICES
160 MARSDEN STREET
PARRAMATTA NSW 2150**MEDIA STATEMENT****Sex offender to be electronically monitored on parole**

A man convicted of a series of sexual assaults in Sydney in 2000 will be electronically monitored and banned from unsupervised contact with people under 16 as part of strict parole conditions.

Offender 'H' cannot be named due to a non-publication order imposed by the courts as he was a juvenile at the time of the offences.

Twenty-seven strict conditions imposed on H today by the State Parole Authority (SPA) also include drug and alcohol abstinence, no contact with victims and co-offenders, and ongoing psychological and psychiatric treatment.

The Authority granted parole to the 30-year-old last month, taking into account factors including the completion of programs addressing his offending behaviour and ongoing compliance with day and weekend leave conditions imposed last year.

H has served more than 13 years of a maximum 16-year, six-month sentence for his role in the offences.

He was refused parole by the Authority in 2012 when his court-imposed 12-year non-parole period expired.

H has completed several programs to address his offending behavior including the Custody Based Intensive Treatment Program.

In May 2013, H was granted external leave to help assess whether he is likely to be able to successfully reintegrate into the community if granted parole.

Corrective Services NSW has closely monitored the offender during his external leave, confirming his compliance with all leave conditions. Strict supervision will continue upon his release to parole.

His supervision will include regular home visits and monitoring of his social interactions.

The independent Serious Offenders Review Council has recommended SPA consider his parole following his successful day release, as part of a phased reintegration into the community.

Corrective Services NSW Commissioner Peter Severin opposed H's release to parole on the grounds he required a more graduated release into the community through further day and weekend leave.

H will be released to parole between 18-25 February.

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