

BREAKING: Pornhub Sued by 40 Sex Trafficking Victims

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Pornhub and its parent company Mindgeek are being sued by 40 sex trafficking victims for 40 million dollars under United States sex trafficking statutes 1591 and 1595 for knowingly profiting from a sex trafficking venture. The complaint alleges that "Mindgeek (Pornhub) knew it was partnering with and profiting from a sex trafficking venture for years. Mindgeek's actions were malicious..." the victims claim.

This devastating blow to Pornhub comes just days after an explosive report in the New York Times called The Children of Pornhub that exposed the ways in which Pornhub has been enabling, promoting, monetizing and profiting from child rape and abuse. The indepth report by two-time Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Nicholas Kristof, who has been called "the North Star of journalism" and "the conscience of international journalism" prompted Visa, Mastercard and Discover to investigate the claims by Kristof that Pornhub is "infested" with illegal crime scenes of children being sexually abused. Mastercard only days later withdrew the ability of the card to be used on Pornhub and all Mindgeek sites stating that the company's investigation confirmed sexual crime.

"Today, the use of our cards at Pornhub is being terminated," Mastercard said in a statement. "Our investigation over the past several days has confirmed violations of our standards prohibiting unlawful content on their site. As a result, and in accordance with our policies, we instructed the financial institutions that connect the site to our network to terminate acceptance."

Shortly after, both Visa and Discover followed suit. Last year Paypal cut ties with Pornhub after the Sunday Times investigation revealed "dozens" of illegal child exploitation videos and images on Pornhub "within minutes" with some of the children "as young as three years old."

Since February 2020 over two million people from 192 countries have signed the Traffickinghub petition to shut down Pornhub for aiding sex trafficking. Over three hundred of the world's leading child protection, anti-trafficking and women's rights organizations endorse the Traffickinghub movement as well as some of the most famous names in the porn industry.

The Traffickinghub movement is a non-partisan, non-religious effort to hold the world's largest and most popular porn site accountable for enabling and profiting from the mass rape and trafficking of women and children.

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