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### Two charged over internet porn ring

Detectives have charged two men with being members of a suspected worldwide internet paedophile network.

Ian Margretts, 29, of Tunberry Close, Bicester, Oxfordshire, is charged with making indecent photographs of children between November 23 2001 and March 20 2002.

Michael Hartney, 34, of Sigrist Square, Tempest House, Kingston upon Thames, south west London, is charged with the same offence between May 25 2001 and March 20 2002.

Graphics designer Margretts and computer software engineer Hartney are further charged with distributing indecent images of children between May 25 2001 and March 20 2002.

Both men were arrested by officers from the National Hi-Tech Crime Unit (NHTCU) and were later charged under the Protection of Children Act 1978.

They have been bailed to appear at Bicester Magistrates Court on March 26.

A total of 12 men thought to be members of a network styling itself "The Round Table" were arrested simultaneously in 10

countries.

The members are suspected of using the internet to trade tens of thousands of photographs and video clips of child pornography.

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