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Ghislaine Maxwell, accused of grooming girls for Jeffrey Epstein, arrested by FBI, charged with conspiring to entice minors

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Ghislaine Maxwell, the British socialite accused of acting as a pimp for deceased pedophile Jeffrey Epstein, has been arrested. She was charged by the FBI in relation to the late financier's alleged sex-trafficking operation.

Maxwell was arrested in Bedford, New Hampshire, on Thursday morning, according to law enforcement sources that spoke with the media. She is expected to appear in the federal court on Thursday to face charges of perjury and conspiring with Epstein to sexually abuse children.

Epstein was found dead in an apparent suicide while awaiting trial on sex-trafficking charges.

Maxwell's arrest was confirmed by the FBI shortly after media outlets reported on the story, citing law enforcement sources.

In a six-count indictment, she was charged with conspiracy to entice minors to travel to engage in illegal sex acts. Also on rt.com Bill Clinton hung out with Epstein because of affair with late financier's madame Maxwell, new book alleges

Maxwell allegedly assisted, facilitated and contributed to Epstein's abuse of underage girls as young as 14, helping the convicted sex predator groom his victims as far back as 1994, according to the six-count indictment filed against her in Manhattan federal court.

"In some instances, Maxwell was present for and participated in the sexual abuse of minor victims," the indictment states.

Maxwell has remained largely out of the public eye since Epstein's mysterious death in August, a month after he

was arrested in New Jersey on federal charges of sex trafficking. The 58-year-old socialite, daughter of media baron and alleged Israeli spy Robert Maxwell, is also a co-defendant in a number of civil cases Epstein's victims have brought against his estate.

Her whereabouts had been the subject of much speculation in recent months. A photograph leaked to the press appeared to show her at an In-N-Out Burger fast-food restaurant in Los Angeles in late August.

Victims have pointed to Maxwell as not only a procurer of young girls for Epstein and his famous friends, but also an enthusiastic participant in the sexual abuse itself.

Perhaps aware her arrest was imminent, Maxwell sought earlier this month to have court records from an earlier defamation case against her by Epstein victim Virginia Roberts Giuffre kept under seal. "The sealed testimony or summaries may inappropriately influence potential witnesses or alleged victims," her lawyer told a federal judge.

Maxwell introduced Epstein to many of the high-profile political and celebrity figures who were subsequently embroiled in the underage sex trafficking scandal.

Former Israeli spy Ari Ben-Menashe has claimed Maxwell was a Mossad agent like her father and that the pair used underage girls as bait to blackmail world leaders.

Giuffre partially confirmed this in a 2015 affidavit. She explained that Epstein asked her to "describe sex" with the powerful people she was set up with so that they would be "in his pocket" and he would "have something on them."