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Hiramar Home Invasion

On Tuesday 09/09/14, at approximately 0144hrs., the Barnstable Police Department received a report of an armed home invasion at 12 Hiramar Road Hyannis where a firearm was displayed. Within seconds of the dispatch, Patrol Officer Thomas Edwards encountered Liovi Lewis (05/30/80) and Rogetta Donalson (04/18/94) walking in the area Bearse's Way and Hiramar Road. Witness statements also placed Josiah Nicholas (08/09/95) and his white Lincoln motor vehicle in the immediate area just prior to the incident.

Shortly thereafter, a vehicle matching that description was observed slowly circling the neighborhood. A motor vehicle stop was conducted and the operator and sole occupant of the vehicle, Miguel Cardona (01/04/94), was subsequently arrested for being a minor in possession of alcohol.

Upon further investigation it was learned that the tenant of 12 Hiramar Road had been knocked down as several armed and masked suspects forcibly entered the residence. The tenant was ordered to "stay down or I'll kill you".

It was also discovered that a second occupant in the residence was ordered to produce the money as he was instructed to "give it up, give it up." This occupant was restrained by one of the suspects as another assaulted him with a baseball bat. The victim was later transported to Cape Cod Hospital for multiple injuries including lacerations to his wrist, shin and foot and broken bones in his hand. The victim was subsequently treated by ER doctors and released later in the morning.

Shortly after the home invasion, the owner of the white Lincoln motor vehicle, Josiah Nicholas, entered the front lobby of the Barnstable Police Department to inquire about his car and Miguel Cardona. Upon physical inspection of Josiah Nicholas by detectives, numerous items of physical evidence were discovered linking him to the crime scene at 12 Hiramar Road. Josiah Nicholas was then questioned concerning his involvement in the incident. Nicholas gave a statement confessing his involvement as well as the involvement of Rogetta Donalson and Liovi Lewis in the home invasion.



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NOTE: A pellet gun and baseball bat were recovered from the scene of the home invasion.

Based on the mirandized statements made by Cardona, Nicholas, Donalson, and Lewis, the following individuals have been charged as listed.

JOSIAH NICHOLAS:

ARMED HOME INVASION WHILE MASKED (4 counts)
ARMED ASSAULT IN A DWELLING (2 counts)
ARMED ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO ROB (one count)
THREAT TO COMMIT A CRIME, TO WIT MURDER (one count)

ROGETTA DONALSON:

ARMED HOME INVASION WHILE MASKED (4 counts)
ARMED ASSAULT IN A DWELLING (2 counts)
ARMED ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO ROB (one count)
THREAT TO COMMIT A CRIME, TO WIT MURDER (one count)

LIOVI LEWIS:

ARMED HOME INVASION WHILE MASKED (4 counts)
ARMED ASSAULT IN A DWELLING (2 counts)
ARMED ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO ROB (one count)
THREAT TO COMMIT A CRIME, TO WIT MURDER (one count)

MIGUEL CARDONA:

MINOR IN POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL

Nicholas, Donalson, and Lewis were all held without bail on Tuesday afternoon at Barnstable House of Corrections pending arraignment on Wednesday morning. Cardona was released on personal recognizance.

If you have any questions regarding this press release please contact Detective Sergeant Mark Mellyn at mellynm@barnstablepolice.com



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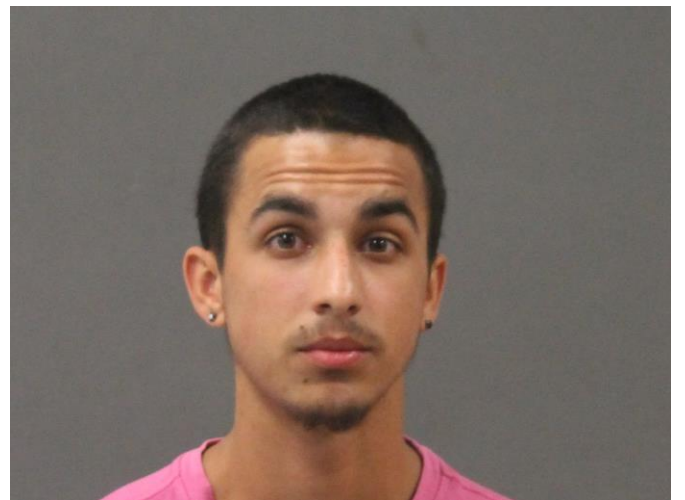
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DONALDSON, ROGETTA



NICHOLAS, JOSIAH



CARDONA, MIGUEL