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**Subject: Vehicle Investigation Leads to Arrest**

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On January 25, 2017, at about 11:21 a.m., an officer with the Eureka Police Department conducted a vehicle investigation on a parked Toyota pickup near the 600 block of 16<sup>th</sup> Street in Eureka. The Toyota was occupied by a male sleeping in the driver's seat.

Officers detained the male, Gerald Gerarden, 41 of Eureka, and conducted a lawful search of the vehicle. Officers located an AR-15 style rifle with a 30 round magazine loaded to capacity and a syringe loaded with heroin.

Gerarden was transported and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on the following charges: felon in possession of a firearm, possession of a concealed firearm, possession of a loaded firearm, possession of ammunition, possession of controlled substances while armed, and Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) violation. Gerarden was also booked on two felony warrants for PRCS violation and possession of controlled substances for sales.

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