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Subject: POP MOTEL RAID NETS TWO ARRESTS FOR DRUGS AND WEAPONS POSSESSION

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On 6/01/11, at about 11:15 PM, detectives with the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing Unit (POP) responded to a motel on the 1900 block of Broadway, Eureka for a narcotics investigation. This was in response to reports of suspected drug sales activity, including steady pedestrian traffic to and from a certain room there.

POP investigators contacted and detained two subjects in the room, including the primary tenant, who was on formal probation for possession of a controlled substance. While detectives were conducting a probation search of the room, a male, later identified as Stephen Douglas Miller (31 of Eureka), knocked on the door. Miller, who was on active parolee, was detained. A large fixed blade combat knife mounted on a pair of brass knuckles (a replica of the 1918 Trench knife) was found illegally concealed under his jacket where it could be readily accessed as a weapon. Miller was also found to be in possession of multiple meth pipes, approximately one ounce of processed marijuana, and a small quantity of crystal methamphetamine.



While detectives were still dealing with Miller and completing their search, three more individuals (non-residents) arrived at the room. One of the subjects, Blain Allen Kesselring (27 of Eureka), was determined to have an outstanding misdemeanor warrant for his arrest. Kesselring was taken into custody on his warrant at which time methamphetamine and a drug pipe were found on his person.

Miller was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of a concealed deadly weapon (dirk or dagger), and parole violation.

Kesselring was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and his warrant.



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Anyone with information concerning suspected drug sales activity occurring in Eureka is encouraged to call the Problem Oriented Policing Unit at (707) 441-4373 or the Humboldt County Drug Task Force at (707) 444-8095.

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BLAIN KESSELRING



STEPHEN MILLER

