



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: 09-14-2012

From: Lt. Steve Knight
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Subject: Attempted Murder/ Mayhem

Case: 201204607

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 09-13-2012, approximately 10:45 p.m. the Sheriffs Office was notified of a stabbing which just occurred in the 1900 block of Peninsula Drive, Manila. The victim was reported to be at a neighbor's home on the doorstep. Deputies responded to the scene along with medical personnel. The victim was rushed to a local hospital by ambulance. When deputies arrived they met with the 38 year old male victim, from McKinleyville. The victim had cuts on various parts of his body including a deep abdominal wound.

Deputies interviewed the victim at the local hospital where he was being treated for his injuries. The victim told deputies he was visiting his girlfriend when suspect Travis Morgan, 27 years old from Manila entered the residence with another male suspect. Morgan and the other male then began punching him, stabbing him and striking him with a machete. Morgan is the brother of the victim's girlfriend and lives in the same residence. .

At 11:30 p.m. Morgan showed up at a local hospital. Eureka Police stood by with Morgan until deputies could arrive. Morgan was being treated for minor injuries sustained during the altercation with the victim. Morgan spoke with the deputies and claimed self defense.

After Morgan was treated he was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on charges of attempted murder, mayhem and violation of probation. His bail is set at \$500,000.00.

Detectives are actively working on this case. Photographs of Morgan, and the name and photograph of the second suspect are not being released at this time for investigative reasons. As of this morning the victim was in a local hospital being treated for his injuries and was in surgery.

Additional information will be released in the future as available

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey
Sheriff

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