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DOMESTIC BATTERER ARRESTED AFTER EXECUTING WARRANTS IN FAIRHAVEN

New Bedford, Massachusetts – Curtis PAIVA (43 years old) of 19 Brown Street in Fairhaven, Massachusetts was arrested just before 6:00 A.M. by the New Bedford Police this morning after New Bedford Police Officer Ron Guerin obtained an arrest warrant for him for: (1) Assault & Battery Upon A Household Member; (2) Violation Of A Restraining Order; (3) Malicious Destruction To Property; and, (4) Threats to Commit Murder. Fairhaven Police will also be charging PAIVA for: Unlawful Possession Of A High Capacity Feeding Device.

When New Bedford and Fairhaven police officers entered PAIVA's home they immediately saw a loaded, high capacity magazine for a .45 caliber semi-automatic handgun in view but could not initially locate PAIVA even though they had seen him taunting them from his window when they surrounded the house while waiting for the arrival of the warrants.

Upon searching the attic it was determined that PAIVA was hiding between the eaves and under a pile of insulation. PAIVA initially refused to surrender leading officers to believe he may have armed himself with the .45 caliber handgun that matched the spare magazine they had already found upon entering the home. After some tense negotiation however PAIVA was ultimately taken into custody without further incident and the firearm was never found.

PAIVA allegedly began arguing with his ex-girlfriend who had an active restraining order against him mandating that he refrain from abusing her. PAIVA then allegedly began breaking several items of her property by throwing them about the apartment. When PAIVA's ex-girlfriend told him that she was calling the police he allegedly threatened to kill her.

New Bedford Police Officer Ronald Guerin had responded to PAIVA's ex-girlfriend's apartment earlier in the morning after she called to report a domestic disturbance. Upon learning of the circumstances, the New Bedford Police contacted the Fairhaven Police in order to locate PAIVA. Once it became apparent that PAIVA was at home and unwilling to surrender, Sergeant Dean Fredericks and Officer Ronald Guerin prepared affidavits for a search and arrest warrant for PAIVA and his Fairhaven residence. The warrants were subsequently executed by a contingent of officers from both the New Bedford and Fairhaven Police Departments.



New Bedford Police

Media Report

PERSONS FILE Number: **197760**

Name: **PAIVA, CURTIS**



Photo Date: 9/26/2007

Race: **WHITE**
DOB: **10/21/1963**
Age: **43**
Sex: **MALE**
Eyes: **BROWN**
Hair: **BROWN**
Height: **71 INCHES**
Weight: **170 LBS**

Last known Address: **19 BROWN ST**

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Parole or Probation?:

