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ARREST MADE IN ATTEMPTED BANK ROBBERY

On Wednesday, August 22, 2007, just before 12:30 P.M., a woman walked into the downtown branch of Sovereign Bank (1 Sovereign Place, New Bedford, MA) and handed the teller a note demanding money. After being signaled by a nearby teller of what was going on, the woman was detained and subdued by security personnel.

A 9-1-1 call was then made to the New Bedford Police and immediately patrol officers and detectives raced to the scene where security personnel were still subduing the woman. The woman, identified as **CHRISTINE M. OLIVEIRA** (7/30/1961) of New Bedford, was placed under arrest by Ofc. Leanne Fisher without incident and booked but was later transported by ambulance to St. Luke's Hospital of New Bedford after she complained of feeling ill.

No money was handed over to **OLIVEIRA** and the note she handed the teller was recovered at the scene.



New Bedford Police

Media Report

PERSONS FILE Number: **006653**

Name: **OLIVEIRA, CHRISTINE M**



Photo Date: 6/24/2007

Race: **WHITE**
DOB: **07/30/1961**
Age: **46**
Sex: **FEMALE**
Eyes: **BROWN**
Hair: **BROWN**
Height: **64 INCHES**
Weight: **100 LBS**

Last known Address: **101 NYE ST**

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Parole or Probation?:

