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Media Release

Incident Date: 08/16/2010
Incident Time: 21:53 hours
Incident Location: 133 Center Road, Gray
Release Date: 08/17/2010
Release Time: 11:00 hours

Incident Synopsis:

On Monday, 08/16/2010, at approximately 2153 hours; Cumberland County Sheriff's Deputies received a call for an intoxicated male brandishing a rifle at 133 Center Road, in the Town of Gray.

The complainant, John Holmes stated that his brother Richard Holmes had been drinking most of the day and had become verbally abusive towards family members. Richard had gone to his bedroom and a short time later was observed holding a rifle. John Holmes and his wife fled the residence as they were concerned for their safety, although there were no threats verbalized against them.

Sheriff's Deputies initially made contact with Richard Holmes via telephone however, Richard hung up and refused to speak with them further. After approximately two hours, Deputy George Bernier was able to re-establish communications with Richard and convince him to exit the residence.

At this time Richard Holmes DOB: 07/05/1965, has not been charge with a crime. He also did not threaten to harm himself or others. The firearm was secured for safety purposes. This incident has been reported by some as a "Police Stand Off" and that is not the case.

Any further inquires can be directed to:

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