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At 08:30 hours on July 30, 2007, the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office responded to 450 Chadborne Road in Standish after receiving a telephone call from a woman stating that her daughter was being held at her residence against her will by the daughter's husband. The male suspect was alleged to be armed with a club and a butcher knife and was preventing his wife from leaving the residence or calling the Sheriff's Office.

Deputy Paul Pettengill responded to the scene and eventually was able to make contact with the female victim who was standing on the porch of the residence. Eventually, Deputy Pettengill was able to persuade the female subject to escape the residence and seek refuge in his cruiser.

Several attempts were made to contact the male suspect who was still inside with another male subject. Sgt. Paul Thorpe, a Crisis Negotiator on the Sheriff's Office Tactical Team responded to the scene and after several attempts to call the suspect on his cellular telephone and via the public address system in the cruiser, the suspect came to an open window and spoke with Sgt. Thorpe. Sgt. Thorpe was able to convince the suspect to exit the residence without further incident.

The suspect, Charles Teague age 35 from Standish was arrested and charged with Violation of Condition of Bail and Kidnapping. It was later determined that Teague had taken his wife to a hotel in Portland and prevented her from leaving or calling the police because he was forbidden by bail conditions to have contact with her. On Sunday evening, the victim had convinced her husband and his friend to go back to her residence in Standish. The victim eventually was able to contact her mother via cellular telephone to advise her, what was going on. The mother in turn then called the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office.

Later in the day, a search warrant was executed at 450 Chadborne Road in Standish. The butcher knife and club that was described by the victim was located inside of the residence.

For further information, please contact Chief Deputy Kevin Joyce at 774-1444, extension 2119.