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MEDIA RELEASE

January 29, 2021
(Arrest- Home Invasion)
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Salisbury man arrested Friday morning for a home invasion that occurred in mid-October.

On October 14, 2020 at approximately 5:10 in the morning, members of the Salisbury Police Department responded to the Maryland State Police Barrack E, located at 2765 N. Salisbury Blvd., and met with a 65-year-old female victim who advised that an unknown male had broken into her home and attempted to sexually assault her. At the time of the incident, the victim resided on the 500 block of Decatur Ave. The victim advised that prior to her response to the Maryland State Police Barack, she was asleep in her residence when she was awoken by a loud noise. Shortly thereafter, the unknown male suspect entered her bedroom. The male attempted to force the victim to conduct sexual acts and a struggle ensued. The suspect then fled the victim's residence and the victim responded to the Maryland State Police to report the incident. Officers and detectives of the Salisbury Police Department then responded to the victim's residence wherein they located evidence of forced entry. Detectives were able to process the scene and ultimately collected evidence of value.

Through the course of the investigation, detectives were able to identify 23-year-old Wislet Gerard as the suspect in this incident. An application for charges was submitted to the District Court Commissioner's Office wherein an arrest warrant was issued for Mr. Wislet.

On January 29, 2021 at approximately 9:22 in the morning members of the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF) located Mr. Gerard in a vehicle while traveling on the Route 13 bypass in Salisbury. Mr. Gerard was placed under arrest without incident. Mr. Gerard was transported to the Salisbury Police Department, and then later released to the Wicomico County Detention Center where he had an initial appearance before a District Court Commissioner.

The Salisbury Police Department would like to thank CARFTF for their assistance in this investigation. CARFTF is an interjurisdictional law enforcement unit consisting of members of the US Marshals Service, Maryland State Police, Wicomico County Sheriff's Office and the Salisbury Police Department.

The investigation is ongoing and the Salisbury Police Department requests that anyone with information regarding this incident to contact Crime Solvers of the Lower Eastern Shore at (410) 548-1776 or the Salisbury Police Department at (410) 548-3165.

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ARRESTED:

Wislet Gerard, 23 years of age
Salisbury, MD

CHARGES:

Home Invasion, Attempted Second Degree
Rape, Second Degree Assault, False
Imprisonment, Reckless Endangerment, Third
Degree Burglary, Fourth Degree Burglary,
Malicious Destruction of Property

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