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Aggravated Assault

Location of Incident: 2700 block of West Donley Road – Somerton, AZ

On Friday, October 18, 2019, at approximately 6:36 p.m., the Yuma County Sheriff’s Office received a report of a male subject in the roadway firing multiple gunshots in the 2700 block of West Donley Road.

During the initial investigation, it was learned that the suspect became agitated with family members and began firing multiple gunshots inside the home while three of the victims were inside. The suspect then went out to the roadway where he continued to fire multiple rounds. A fourth victim arrived on scene and attempted to calm the suspect down. The suspect then began to fire multiple rounds at the victim who was inside his vehicle.

Upon Deputies arrival, the suspect went back into his yard and continued to fire multiple shots. The suspect barricaded himself in the home and refused to surrender. Responding agencies established a perimeter and requested additional units. YCSO Special Response Team arrived and took command with the assistance of YPD Special Enforcement Team, U.S. Border Patrol BORTAC and Customs and Border Protection Air Marine Helicopter. Nearby homes were evacuated with use of YCSO and YPD armored vehicles.

The suspect came outside the home multiple times in attempt to shoot the helicopter as units moved closer to the residence. YCSO and YPD Crisis Management Teams attempted to communicate with the suspect with no response. The residence was breached and a tactical robot was deployed inside to search the home. With the use of the robot it was learned that the suspect had staged multiple firearms throughout the residence and doors had been barricaded with furniture blocking entry ways.

At approximately 12:37 A.M., the suspect identified as Daniel Carranza-Alvarez, 22, of Somerton was located inside his bedroom and verbal commands were given to exit the home via the robot. A short time later the suspect exited the home and surrended. Carranza-Alvarez, was arrested and booked into the Yuma County Detention Center for four counts of Aggravated Assault with a deadly weapon, Endangerment, Discharging a weapon – occupied structure and Disorderly Conduct.

The Yuma County Sheriff’s Office appreciates the assistance of all the agencies that responded; Somerton Police Department, Yuma Police Department, U.S Border Patrol, U.S. Customs Air Marine and Rural Metro Fire Department.

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