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Suspicious Incident

Location of Incident: 200 Block of W. 1st Street - Yuma, AZ

On Friday, September 12, 2025, at approximately 5:32 PM, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office (YCSO) responded to a report of a suspicious package located in the 200 Block of W. 1st Street.

During a routine perimeter check of the Yuma County Detention Center, YCSO personnel discovered a suspicious package outside the facility. The package was designed to resemble an explosive device, secured with duct tape and bearing handwritten threats. It was also staked into the ground and near an electrical box. A safety perimeter was established, and the Yuma Regional Bomb Squad was notified and assumed the investigation.

The suspicious package was x-rayed and confirmed to contain various items similar to componentry used for improvised explosive devices. A controlled detonation was performed to render the package safe.

This incident is being investigated as an act of terrorism. Any suspects involved will be charged and prosecuted accordingly.

This case remains under investigation at this time. The Yuma County Sheriff's Office is thankful no one was harmed during this threat incident.

Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.

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