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MEDIA RELEASE

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On March 22, 2017 at 11:49 a.m. Officers of the Garden City Police Department responded to a report of an aggravated assault at 312 E Pine St. The investigation revealed that on March 21, 2017 the suspect, Rocky Gomez (37) 312 E Pine, and the victim engaged in a verbal argument and altercation. During the altercation it was alleged that Gomez pulled a knife on the victim and made threats towards him. This incident was not reported to police. On March 22, 2017 suspect and victim engaged in another altercation and this time it was alleged the suspect threatened the victim with a stick. On this occasion the victim fled the residence and did called police.

When Police arrived on scene Gomez was located inside the residence but refused to exit the house. The Garden City/ Finney County SWAT team was called to assist and serve a search warrant on the residence to locate and arrest Gomez.

During the service of the warrant Gomez was located inside the residence and was uncooperative. A Garden City Police K-9 was used to assist in the apprehension and arrest.

Gomez was transported to St Catherine Hospital and treated for minor injuries he received from the police K-9 apprehension. Gomez was treated and released, then lodged in the Finney County Jail and could face the possible charges of:

Aggravated Assault (x2)
Criminal Threat
Interference with a Law Enforcement Officer

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The person (s) involved have not yet been convicted of a crime. Their guilt or innocence must be proven in a court of law and accordance with the Kansas Statutes. As such, these suspects are innocent until proven otherwise.