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## **Attempted murder charges obtained regarding May 6 abduction, shooting**

HARRISONBURG, Va. – Oliverio Patricio-Garcia is facing three charges of attempted murder and numerous other charges following a May 6 incident that ended with shots being fired on Liberty Street in Downtown Harrisonburg.

The Harrisonburg-Rockingham Emergency Communications Center received a 9-1-1 call at approximately 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 6, regarding a domestic disturbance involving a weapon in the 1000 block of Old Furnace Road. The incident escalated to an abduction involving the suspect, 30-year-old Patricio-Garcia, and the victim, a 52-year-old woman, both of the Harrisonburg area. After a pursuit, police were able to stop the vehicle on Liberty Street. It is at this time that a round was fired from within the vehicle, and following orders to drop the weapon that were ignored, officers fired upon the suspect and the victim was able to safely escape. The incident then continued until officers were able to take Patricio-Garcia into custody. No officers were injured in the incident.

Marsha Garst, Commonwealth's Attorney of Rockingham County and the City of Harrisonburg, authorized the following charges related to the incident. Patricio-Garcia is currently at UVA Medical Center, and charges have not been served at this time.

Charges include:

- Two charges of attempted aggravated murder of HPD officers regarding Patricio-Garcia firing a handgun toward officers and ramming an HPD vehicle with his car.
- One charge of attempted first degree murder against the victim.
- Two charges of use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.
- One charge of property damage of a HPD vehicle.
- One charge of abduction.
- Three charges of brandishing a firearm.
- Two charges of recklessly handling a firearm.

No further information is available at this time.

*CRIMINAL CHARGES, AND ANY DISCUSSION THEREFORE, ARE MEARLY ALLEGATIONS AND ALL DEFENDANTS ARE PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL AND UNLESS PROVEN GUILTY.*

**Approved for release by:  
Police Chief Kelley Warner**

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