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Multiple Officers Injured at Five Points Correctional Facility

Violence Continues to Plague Maximum Security Facility

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Romulus, NY – A 31 year old inmate who is on his third term in prison, armed with a make-shift weapon, charged and attacked officers in the cell block at the maximum security correctional facility.

On Monday, November, 7, the inmate, who was inside his cell at the time, wanted to make a complaint to staff. Staff informed the inmate he would be escorted to the cell block interview room and applied handcuffs to the inmate. When the inmate's cell door was opened, the inmate was able to slip his right wrist out of the handcuffs. He charged at staff armed with a green colored weapon in his hand and was making a stabbing motion. The inmate struck one officer in the forearm and elbow before being grabbed in a body hold by three officers and forced to the ground.

On the ground and still extremely combative, additional staff arrived on the scene and assisted in reapplying handcuffs.

The inmate continued to thrash and be combative while in handcuffs. Leg restraints were applied and the inmate became compliant.

He was escorted to the nurses station for evaluation.

Four officers were injured in the incident. The officer who was initially struck, sustained abrasions and pain and swelling to his arm, elbow and shoulder. He was transported to Geneva General Medical Hospital for further treatment. The other three injured officers sustained shoulder, back, knee and wrist injuries subduing the inmate. They were treated by facility medical staff and remained on duty.

The inmate, 36, is serving a 10 to 12 year sentence after being convicted in 2018 in Monroe County for Robbery 1st, Robbery 2nd and Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd. He previously served two prison terms in 2004 and 2010 for weapons possession and robbery.

Staff recovered a green plastic shank that was sharpened on one end that the inmate was armed with.

"Assaults on staff continue to be a significant problem at Five Points Correctional Facility. Since the beginning of October, over a dozen officers have been attacked and injured at the facility and one inmate was critically stabbed by two inmates in another incident. The fact that staff assaults reached an all-time high already by the end of October, clearly points to a situation that is out of control and needs to be addressed immediately. The law enforcement profession is inherently dangerous but officers should feel that every day when they go to work there are resources available to keep them safe. Simply put, this is not occurring, especially with legislators who support and enact horrendous laws like the HALT Act. We need these legislators to realize that our members are human beings and not punching bags for inmates to feel better!" -stated Kenny Gold, NYSCOPBA Western Region Vice President.