

Visitor Arrested With Contraband at Clinton Correctional Facility

Inmate Stabbed in Separate Incident

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Dannemora, **NY** – A woman was arrested by DOCCS Investigators for bringing in Synthetic Marijuana during an inmate visit at the maximum security prison.

The incident occurred on Wednesday, November 21, 2018. Prior to her visit with the inmate, she was questioned by staff regarding bringing contraband into the facility. The woman voluntarily turned over 85.2 grams of Synthetic Marijuana, commonly known as K2, to staff. She had the drugs individually packaged and hidden under her clothes.

Shaquanda Raymond was transported by investigators from the prison to the Plattsburgh troopers barracks for processing. She was charged with Promoting Prison Contraband 1st and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 7th.

On Monday, November 26, at approximately 12:42 p.m., two inmates were involved in a fight inside the tailor shop. Staff arrived and gave the inmates orders to stop fighting. One inmate refused and continued the attack. An officer deployed OC Pepper Spray to the inmate to get him to comply with the orders. Once the fighting stopped, officers determined one inmate had been stabbed. He was taken to the facility infirmary and later transferred to an outside hospital for treatment.

During the subsequent investigation, officers located a broken tailor shop pick that was used in the assault. It was processed as evidence. The investigation is on-going.

"Since 2014, the number of drug arrests, inmate on inmate and inmate on staff assaults, and other significant disturbances, commonly reported as Unusual Incidents, have risen from 298 in 2014 to over 600 in 2018. By the end of the year, that number will be over 100 percent for that five year period. Contraband is still making its way into our facilities at record levels and assaults continue to occur at high rates. There are no discipline measures that exist that will successfully deter these incidents from continuing at high levels in 2019, and that is simply unacceptable for the safety of our members ", said John Roberts, Vice President of NYSCOPBA's Northern Region.