

## NASHUA POLICE DEPARTMENT **PRESS RELEASE**

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On January 9, 2021, at approximately 9:23 A.M., Nashua Patrol Officers responded to Motel 6 at 77 Spit Brook Road for an ambulance call. Motel staff called to report a male, who was dressed only in his underwear with dried blood on his person, was outside of the office possibly under the influence of drugs. The first responding officer arrived and brought the male, later identified as Sebastian Corneau, age 26, into the lobby in order to warm up and determine what was going on. Once inside the lobby, Corneau attacked the officer and assaulted him several times. During the struggle Corneau obtained the officer's OC spray and sprayed the officer with it multiple times. At one point, Corneau took possession of the officer's baton as well as a serrated piece of a plastic sign. Corneau held the serrated piece as a weapon while threatening the officer and a paramedic from American Medical Response, who was also on scene. With the assistance of responding officers, Corneau was ultimately taken into custody. The officer suffered minor injuries as a result of the assault.

Detectives from the Criminal Investigation Division and Special Investigations Division were notified and furthered the investigation. They determined that Corneau was a convicted felon in the State of New Hampshire. They also learned that during the night Corneau had threatened and assaulted a female that is known to him with a knife. The female suffered minor injuries as a result of the assault.

Corneau has been charged with three (3) counts of Convicted Felons (Felon in Possession of a Dangerous Weapon) Class B Felony, two (2) counts of Criminal Threatening with a Deadly Weapon - Class B Felony, two (2) counts of Criminal Use of a Self Defense Weapon – Class B Felony, Domestic Violence Criminal Threatening – Class B Felony, Domestic Violence Reckless Conduct – Class B Felony, Domestic Violence Simple Assault – Class A Misdemeanor, three (3) counts of Resisting Arrest/Detention – Class A Misdemeanor, three (3) counts of Simple Assault – Class A Misdemeanor, and Criminal Use of a Self Defense Weapon - Class A Misdemeanor.

Each Class B Felony is punishable by up to seven (7) years imprisonment, exclusive of fines. Each Class A Misdemeanor is punishable by up to one year in the County Jail, exclusive of fines. Corneau is being held on a Preventative Detention as well as a Probation detention order. He will be arraigned at Hillsborough County Superior Court - Southern District on January 11, 2021.



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