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**KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT**

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701 Ball Avenue, N.E. • Grand Rapids • Michigan • 49503



Date: 08/25/2018

Complaint Number: 18-141864

Type of Incident: Stabbing Investigation

**Narrative:**

On Friday August 24, 2018 Deputies were dispatched to the business of California Closets located at 4930 Kraft Ave. SE regarding a worker who was stabbed while on his break in addition to receiving reports of shots fired at this location. Upon Deputies arriving in the area, the suspect and victim had fled the location where the assault had occurred. The victim was eventually contacted in the parking lot of the Baymont Inn on 28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, as he was being transported to the Hospital by a bystander in his private vehicle.

Preliminary information indicates that a stabbing and shooting occurred between the victim and suspect. The suspect has been determined to be a boyfriend of a female co-worker of the victim. The suspect was jealous due to the belief of a perceived relationship between the two co-workers.

The victim is being treated for multiple stab wounds at Spectrum Butterworth Hospital and the injuries are non-life threatening.

The suspect has been identified as Pietro Earnest Mapp, a 46-year-old black male from Grand Rapids. Attempts are being made to locate him. The investigation has been assigned to the Sheriff's Department Major Case Team and is active and ongoing. We are asking for the public's assistance with locating Mapp in case he sustained injuries during the assault.

The Kent County Sheriff's Department is asking anyone with information to contact the Sheriff's Department at 616-632-6357 or Silent Observer.

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Supervisor Approval:

