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NEWS RELEASE

SWAT Team Called to Assist with Domestic Violence Incident

(Grand Junction, CO) – A Grand Junction man was arrested early this morning after refusing to cooperate with police orders to surrender following a domestic violence incident at his home. Thoran G. Martinez, age 25, of 613 Arapahoe Drive, surrendered to officers without incident at 6:42 a.m. and was transported to the Mesa County Jail on domestic violence charges.

Police were alerted to the situation just after 2:00 a.m., when a 9-1-1 caller reported a disturbance between Martinez and an adult female victim. The caller indicated that Martinez was inside with a small child and had a weapon. Officers contacted the female victim outside the home and attempted to talk with Martinez inside.

Because of the presence of a weapon and Martinez' refusal to talk, police were compelled to treat the incident as a barricaded subject call and SWAT officers were brought in to assist. Police alerted neighbors by initiating a reverse 9-1-1, advising that they should shelter in place until the incident was resolved.

After Martinez' arrest, the female victim and child were reunited. The child sustained no injuries from the incident.

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