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**Re: *\*\*Press Release\*\** Home Invasion Burglary/Robbery**

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Early this morning, Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at approximately 2:28am, Auburn Police Officers were dispatched to a residence located within the 100 block of East Genesee Street on the report of an assault. Upon officers arrival the 21 year old victim was interviewed at a neighbor's residence and he indicated that he was sleeping inside of his apartment that he shares with his brother who was not home at the time of the incident. The victim stated he was awoken by two males in his bedroom who were demanding specific property that they felt was inside the house. The victim stated that he saw a total of four suspects inside of his apartment during the incident.

The victim stated one of the males was brandishing a knife while demanding the property. The victim was then physically assaulted by the suspects and subsequently bound to a piece of furniture while the suspects were ransacking the house looking for property. The victim states he was able to free himself and flee to a neighbor's house to call 911.

The suspect descriptions are vague at this time and Police are working with the victim to develop more detailed descriptions. The four suspects are described as all males, average in build, approximately 5'10"-5'11" in height. The race of the suspects and clothing descriptions are not available at this time.

The victim was treated and released from Auburn Memorial Hospital for non life threatening injuries he suffered during the incident. The investigation into this incident is ongoing and police are requesting anyone with information to contact the **Auburn Police Department** at **253-3231** or lead investigator, **Detective Bryant Bergenstock** at **258-9880**. Your calls can remain anonymous.

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