



**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF BURLINGTON**

MEDIA RELEASE

INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
ERV deployment	February 22, 2019 0720	
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCATION:	
19BU003715	54 North Champlain Street, Burlington	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Officer K. Schmidt	802-540-2374	
AUTHOR:	APPROVED BY:	
Lieutenant Jon Young	Lieutenant Jon Young	
VICTIM:		
Known to the department		
SUSPECT:	AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:
Matias M. Frias	49	Archibald Street, Burlington
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:		
Court		

NARRATIVE:

On February 21, 2019, Burlington Police Officers were summoned to the residence on Archibald Street to investigate an alleged domestic assault. The suspect, Matias Frias, 49, eluded police.

On February 22, 2019, at approximately 0720 hours police were called to 54 North Champlain Street for a report that Frias was within the residence. Frias barricaded himself alone in the residence and refused to come out. Police negotiators worked to establish communications with Frias while multiple officers established a secure scene using the Burlington Police Department's Emergency Response Vehicle, or ERV. Passers-by may have noticed significant police presence in the area. This is standard practice to ensure the safety of the public, the suspect, and also officers on the scene. The ERV provides tools that allow officers to address barricaded persons in a safe, controlled manner that greatly enhances safety and contributes to deescalation. At approximately 0915 hours, negotiators were able to convince Frias to surrender safely.

A photo of the suspect is below:



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