**MEDIA RELEASE**

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| **INCIDENT TYPE:**  | **DATE/TIME REPORTED:**  |
| **1ST Degree Aggravated Domestic Assault with a Weapon & with Injuries** | **July 4TH, 2019 at 1:04 PM** |
| **INCIDENT NUMBER:**  | **LOCATION:**  |
| **19BU013972** | **Residence in vicinity of N. Winooski Ave / Riverside Ave** |
| **INVESTIGATOR:**  | **INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:**  |
| **Corporal J. Seller** | **802-540-2319** |
| **AUTHOR:**  | **APPROVED BY:** |
| **Sergeant My T. Nguyen** | **Deputy Chief Jon Murad** |
| **VICTIM:**  | **AGE:** | **VICTIM ADDRESS:** |
| **Male & Female Relative** |  |  |
| **SUSPECT:**  | **AGE:** | **SUSPECT ADDRESS:** |
| **Nirmal Shrestha** | **26** | **Transient** |
| **SUSPECT DISPOSITION:**  | **Lodged at County Jail on $500 bail.** |

**NARRATIVE:**

On July 4TH, 2019, at approximately 1:04PM, Burlington Police Officers were summoned to an address in the vicinity of N. Winooski Avenue at Riverside Avenue for a report of a disturbance. Dispatch advised that a female victim was bleeding and has been struck by a male suspect with a cooking pan.

Officers arrived on scene and observed a large amount of blood on the ground. A female victim was bleeding from the head. The female victim was screened by Burlington Fire & Rescue and was subsequently transported to the UVM Medical Center for treatment.

From investigation, Officers identified Nirmal Shrestha as the suspect. Shrestha attempted to assault a male relative with the cooking pan after an argument. When he was unsuccessful, he assaulted a female relative with the cooking pan.

Shrestha was arrested by Officers on scene without incident. Shrestha is being charged with two counts of 1ST Degree Aggravated Domestic Assault. A judge was contacted and bail was set at $500.

**1st Degree Aggravated Domestic Assault - Title 13 V.S.A. § 1043 (A,2)-** A person who commits the crime of first degree aggravated domestic assault shall be imprisoned not more than 15 years or fined not more than $25,000.00, or both.