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**Two Officers Stabbed at Mid-State Correctional Facility**

*Inmate Attacks Staff When They Entered Cell for Wellness Check*

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**Marcy, NY** – Two correction officers were injured after an inmate armed with a homemade weapon attacked staff during a wellness check at a medium-security correctional facility on Friday, May 29.

The incident began when an officer conducting routine rounds observed that an inmate had covered the window of his cell with a towel, preventing staff from viewing the cell's interior. After multiple unsuccessful attempts to communicate with the inmate, a team consisting of three correction officers and a National Guard member entered the cell to conduct a welfare check.

Upon entering, staff discovered the inmate concealed in an attached recreation pen. The inmate suddenly charged at responding personnel while wielding a homemade weapon. A National Guard member used a shield to push the inmate back as he made repeated stabbing motions toward staff.

During the struggle, the inmate stabbed one correction officer in the forearm and a second officer in the knee before staff were able to gain control of the situation. The inmate continued to resist while on the ground but was ultimately restrained, handcuffed, and escorted to a holding cell without further incident.

Both injured officers received immediate medical treatment at the facility and were later transported to a local urgent care center, where they received sutures for their injuries. Both are expected to recover.

Following the incident, staff recovered a six-inch sharpened weapon from the inmate's cell. Preliminary investigation determined the weapon had been fashioned from a piece of plastic broken from the inmate's electronic tablet.

The inmate was subsequently transferred to Auburn Correctional Facility.

“Entering a cell where an inmate has deliberately blocked staff's view can be an extremely dangerous situation for correction officers. Unfortunately, that danger became a reality in this case. Armed with a homemade weapon, the inmate clearly intended to attack staff and succeeded in stabbing two officers before being subdued. Thanks to the swift and professional response of the officers and National Guard member involved, the inmate was quickly brought under control before anyone else was injured.

While the inmate has been transferred to a maximum-security facility, the internal disciplinary measures available because of the HALT Act are limited. Until the State Legislature implements the HALT Committee recommendations, the most meaningful accountability in situations like this may come through criminal prosecution. If the district attorney pursues felony assault charges and the inmate receives additional incarceration time, it could serve as a deterrent against future attacks on correctional staff.” – stated Bryan Hluska, Central Region Vice President.