



## ***Two Officers Injured at Sing Sing Correctional Facility***

### ***Inmate Allegedly Throws Hot Cooking Oil and Food on Officers***

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**Ossining, NY** –Two officers sustained minor injuries when an inmate allegedly threw hot cooking oil and food on them from his cell two floors above.

The incident occurred on Tuesday, December 10 at approximately 6:36 p.m. The two officers were standing near the front gate of the cell block when they were showered with hot food and cooking oil from a cell above them. Both officers were struck in the face and eyes by the food and oil. The officers were treated by medical staff at the facility and transported to a local hospital for treatment.

They were treated and released. Their injuries were not serious.

An inmate in a cell directly above the officers was apparently cooking in the cell and threw the oil and food on the officers. Staff removed the inmate from the cell and placed him in a Special Housing Unit pending disciplinary charges.

The inmate, 44 years old, is serving a 40 year sentence after being convicted in 2003 in Monroe County on Robbery 1<sup>st</sup>, Assault 1<sup>st</sup> and Burglary 2<sup>nd</sup> charges. He brutally beat a 61 year old female bookkeeper at a restaurant during the robbery.

“We are extremely fortunate that the two officers only sustained minor injuries in this attack. They easily could have been seriously burned by the hot oil. This is an inmate who savagely beat a 61 year old woman during a robbery and left her with a fractured skull, broken cheekbone, jawbone, fractured ribs and a collapsed lung. He obviously has not been rehabilitated during his time in prison. We need stronger internal discipline measures; and inmates that choose to attack staff, must be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Short of that, our members will continue to be targets.” – stated Dave Luther, NYSCOPBA Southern Region Vice President.