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SUFFOLK, Va. (October 12, 2009) – A 34 year old Suffolk man is in custody after an early morning incident that required the call out of Suffolk Police Department's Critical Incident Response Team. The incident began just before 12:30 a.m. when Emergency Communications received a 911 hang up call from a residence in the 300 blk. of Cedar St. Uniform Patrol officers were dispatched to the scene and upon their arrival, they observed through a window a male assault a female inside of the residence.

Officers were unable to gain entry to the residence. The male fled to the rear of the house. Officers were unable to get the victim to respond to the door.

Based on past intelligence police had on the residence, the Critical Incident Response Team was activated. Police secured a warrant for domestic assault for Authur T. Gould Jr.

Communication was able to be established between a hostage negotiator and both the victim and the suspect via a throw phone. The victim exited the residence and a short time later the suspect exited without any further incident.

Gould is currently being held at Western Tidewater Regional Jail without bond.

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