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**SUFFOLK WOMAN CHARGED WITH ABUSE**

SUFFOLK, VA (March 1, 2011) A Suffolk woman was arrested yesterday and charged with child abuse. Anita D. Scott, age 27, of the 6000 block of College Drive, was arrested and charged with domestic assault, felony abuse and neglect of a child, cruelty and abuse of a child, contributing to the delinquency of a child and obstructing justice.

These charges were the result of an investigation into signs of abuse observed by a childcare worker on Scott's nine year old child. Injuries to the child suggested repeated and continued beating with a belt and belt buckle.

Scott is currently being held at Western Tidewater Regional Jail. Bond information is not yet available.

Scott's two children have been removed from Scott's care. Detective C. A. Balzer is the lead investigator on this case.

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