

Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Special Services Bureau / Counter Terrorism Unit

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Date: 4/1/2022

Type of Offense/Incident: Making Terroristic Threats Date: 2022 Time:

Location of Offense/Incident: Central Ohio Zone: 1 Precinct: 17

Incident Report #: 223006828		Cruiser District:		
Victim:		Sex:	Race:	Age:
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Suspect: Thomas M. Develin		Address:		
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Charges: Making	Terroristic Threats			
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Incident Summar	y:			

The Columbus Division of Police Counter Terrorism Unit in cooperation with Ohio Homeland Security were provided information by the Ohio National Guard concerning violent threats posted on social media. The threats and content of the postings involved material expressing hatred against multiple religious and ethnic minority groups in Franklin County.

On the morning of March 31st SWAT units with the Columbus Police were requested to conduct a search warrant in NW Columbus. This search warrant was centered around offenses of 'Terroristic Threats' and other criminal acts. As a result of the search warrant multiple items of evidenciary value were recovered including weapons and Thomas Develin was placed under arrest.

Felony complaints against Mr. Develin have been filed with the Franklin County Municipal Clerks Office. Criminal Investigative packets will be presented to the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office (and/or) other jurisdictions as warranted. Mr. Develin appeared in arraignment the morning of 4/1/22 and received a \$1,000,000 bond.

As this investigation is on-going no additional information will be released at this time. Detectives will not be made available for media interview at this time as well.

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