



FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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FLPD SEEKS TO IDENTIFY ARMED SEXUAL BATTERY/BURGLARY BATTERY SUSPECT

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an armed sexual battery/burglary battery that occurred on Friday, September 15, 2023, at approximately 7:30 p.m. The incident occurred at 5970 NE 18th Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation into this incident has revealed that the victim was inside her apartment, in her bedroom, when the suspect entered her home through her front door. After entering the home, the suspect went into the victim's bedroom and jumped on top of her. The suspect, who was armed, threatened to kill the victim before sexually battering her. He then fled the apartment northbound down the hallway.

The suspect is described as a Black male, in his 30s, who is approximately 6'0" or taller, with dreadlocks to his neck, a clean-shaven face, and a muscular build.

Detectives are asking for anyone who sees a male matching this description to contact the Fort Lauderdale Police Department immediately. Detectives are also asking for nearby residents and businesses to check their surveillance camera systems to see if they may have captured the suspect. If anyone has video of an individual matching this description, please contact Detective Sergeant Hector Martinez at 954-828-5510 or email Detective Christopher Chylack at CChylack@fortlauderdale.gov. Information can be provided anonymously by contacting Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477).

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