



OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE
KENT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Date: August 25, 2018
Incident Number: 18-141864
Type of Incident: Stabbing Investigation
Detective: Jason Russo
Supervisor Approval: Sgt Jason Kelley

On Friday August 24, 2018 Deputies were dispatched to the business of California Closets located at 4930 Kraft Ave SE regarding a worker who was stabbed while on his break in addition to receiving reports of shots fired at this location. Upon Deputies arriving in the area, the suspect and victim had fled the location where the assault had occurred. The victim was eventually contacted in the parking lot of the Baymont Inn on 28th St SE, as he was being transported to the hospital by a bystander in his private vehicle.

Preliminary information indicates that a stabbing and shooting occurred between the victim and suspect. The suspect has been determined to be a boyfriend of a female co-worker of the victim. The suspect was believed to be jealous due to the belief of a perceived relationship between the two co-workers.

The victim is being treated for multiple stab wounds at Spectrum Butterworth Hospital and the injuries are non-life threatening.

The suspect has been identified as Pietro Earnest Mapp, a 46-year-old black male from Grand Rapids. Attempts are being made to locate him. The investigation has been assigned to the Sheriff's Department Major Case Team and is active and ongoing. We are asking for the public's assistance with locating Mapp in case he sustained injuries during the incident.

The Kent County Sheriff Department is asking anyone with information to contact the Sheriff Department at 616-632-6357 or Silent Observer at 616-774-2345.

*****UPDATE*****

On Monday August 27th, the Kent County Prosecutor's Office authorized charges against Pietro Mapp for:

- 1) Assault with intent to murder.

On Tuesday August 28 2018, Mapp turned himself in at GRPD and was transferred to the Kent County Jail, where he is currently lodged with no bond awaiting arraignment.