

## Maine State Police Continuation Report

Event # 23S056156

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CODE NO
9139

## **DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION:**

On 10/25/2023 at approximately 1950 hrs I was notified by Maine State Tactical Team Sgt. Greg Roy of an active shooter event currently occurring in Lewiston. He requested that Maine State Police Bomb Squad resources be staged at the Command Post at the Lewiston Colisee until further notice. I responded to the Colisee along with Tr. Dave Barnard. I had been reading the updates regarding the call from the CAD notes and was familiarizing myself with the incident.

10/26/2023 0105 hrs

I was made aware that the suspect's vehicle had been located in the town of Lisbon at a boat launch. The suspect was not with the vehicle. Officer Matt Morrison from the Portland Police Special Reaction Team called me and explained that inside the vehicle was a large duffel bag, a backpack with electronics wires sticking out of it, and a piece of wire on the passenger side floor board. Recognizing these as potential for explosive hazards, Tr. Barnard and I responded to the boat launch to investigate further.

We arrived at the boat launch and I observed the interior of the vehicle and saw the items of concern. I opened the rear hatch of the vehicle to access the duffel bag where we were able to obtain x-ray imaging of the bag. We didn't observe any indicators of a hazardous device in the duffel bag. The backpack, which contained the electronics wires, located in the back seat was partially open. I observed commercial electronics chargers and a tablet. I ensured the wires weren't connected to anything suspicious. The wire on the passenger side floor board had been identified as an airbag component. This concluded our involvement with the suspect's vehicle and we cleared the scene.

10/26/2023
1040 hrs
At this time a tactical element was going to be executing a search warrant in Bowdoin. Tr. Barnard and I staged down the road from the address until it was deemed clear. There were several military duffel bags in the garage of the residence that we conducted a safety sweep of explosives. We examined the duffel bags and opened up several containers and cleared them of any explosive hazards. This concluded our involvement

With no evidence of an explosive nexus to this incident, the Bomb Squad scaled
back resources and only kept Tactical Bomb Technicians on stand-by for the Tactical
Teams.

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

I recommend this report be used as a supplement to case 23S056156