



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: PNC Bank Robbery

On Monday January 24th, 2011 at 9:16 am the Newark Police Department was alerted by PNC Bank, located at 230 E. Main Street (Newark Shopping Center) that the branch had just been robbed by an unknown suspect threatening to detonate an explosive device. Upon arrival, officers learned that an unknown suspect had called the bank and demanded that an undisclosed amount of cash be placed outside the bank. The caller indicated that there was an explosive device inside the bank and that it would be detonated if his demand was not met. Shortly after the money was left outside, an unknown suspect approached on foot, removed the money and left the area on foot towards East Main Street.

Upon the arrival of officers the interior and exterior of the bank were checked with the assistance of an explosive sniffing canine from the New Castle County Police Department. No explosive device was located.

The suspect is described as a male subject wearing a dark colored jacket and light colored pants. Video surveillance still photos of the suspect are attached.

PNC Bank is offering up to a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the suspect.

Anyone with information about this robbery is asked to contact Det. Mike Watson at 302-366-7110 ext 133 or michael.watson@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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