



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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SUBJECT: Police Investigate Attempted Robbery

The Newark Police Department is investigating an attempted armed robbery which occurred on August 27th, 2011 at approximately 3:25am at the 7-11 convenience store located at 202 Elkton Road. During this incident a black male suspect entered the store, approached the counter and displayed what appeared to be a handgun at the clerk. The suspect then demanded money from the clerk before walking around the counter and striking him in the head several times with the handgun. The robbery attempt was then interrupted by a witness who began to enter the store causing the suspect to flee out of the store towards Barksdale Road. No money was removed during the robbery attempt.

The clerk, a 56 year old male, suffered a slight contusion to the head, but was otherwise uninjured.

The suspect is described as a black male, approximately 5'6" to 5'11", 20-40 years of age and slightly overweight. He wore dark pants, a black hat, and a dark long sleeve striped shirt.

Anyone with additional information about this incident should contact Detective Michael 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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