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## MAN ARRESTED FOR SHOOTING AT A POLICE OFFICER

A New Bern man has been arrested for shooting at a police officer.

A police officer approached the suspect riding a bicycle at the intersection of Cedar and West Streets at 11:34 p.m. on 11/24/2010. During the encounter, a gun fell from the suspect's person. The suspect, later identified as **Ilya Devon SQUIRES, 04/23/1967**, of 1022 Plymouth Drive, dropped the bicycle, picked up the gun and fled the scene. The officer pursued **SQUIRES** on foot for several blocks. During the foot pursuit, **SQUIRES** fired the gun at the officer however, the officer was not injured.

New Bern Police apprehended **SQUIRES** in a ditch behind 835 Bloomfield Street. The gun was retrieved by the police from the ditch near the suspect. He was taken into custody without further incident and charged with Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer with a Firearm, Possession of a Firearm by a Felon and Resisting a Public Officer. **SQUIRES** was placed in the Craven County Jail and held under a \$1,000,000 secured bond. He is scheduled to make a first appearance in court on Monday, 11/29/2010.

The New Bern Police Department is committed to Community Policing. Citizens are encouraged to become a **"Partner in Policing,"** by reporting suspected illegal activity to the New Bern Police Department's **TIPS** line at **(252) 636-5034** or the Craven County Crime Stoppers line at 633-5141.

For additional information, please contact Lt. Linda T. Godette, Public Information Officer at the New Bern Police Department at (252) 672-4196.

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