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PRESS RELEASE

Releasing Officer: Officer Chris Awad
Report Number: FG1901041
Date / Time: October 4, 2019 / 11:00am
Location: 500 Block of Cypress Street
Crime or Incident: 368 (b)(1)PC (Elder or Dependent Adult Abuse)
Victim: Confidential (83 years old)
Suspect: Martine Dalamas (57 years old)

CIRCUMSTANCES:

Officers of the Fort Bragg Police Department received a cross report of suspected elder abuse from Adult Protective Services. On October 8, 2019 Officers responded to the Mendocino Coast District Hospital where the victim, an 83 year old female, was being treated for a portion of her calf muscle missing. The wound was consistent with being inflicted by a canine. Officers had responded to the victim's residence for two past reports of canines at this residence biting children in the neighborhood. In both incidents the canines were placed on a quarantine.

During the investigation, Officers learned that when Paramedics responded to the victim's residence, which she shares with the suspect, a large canine was actively biting and licking the wound. It was determined that Martine Dalamas was the victim's daughter and caretaker. It was also determined that Dalamas and other family members were home and in the same room as the victim at the time of this incident.

Officers responded to Dalamas' residence and contacted her. Dalamas was placed under arrest and taken into custody without incident. The canine that was suspected of inflicting the injuries on the victim was also seized and taken to the animal shelter in Ukiah. Dalamas was transported to Mendocino County Jail.

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