

MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Subject: **PEACEFUL PROTEST TURNS HOSTILE - SUSPECTS ARRESTED**

Saturday, May 30, 2020 there was a large group of protesters, blocking the roadway in the rear area of the Miami Police Department. The initial protest transitioned from peaceful to hostile as individuals who were within the crowd of protesters became violent. Several subjects were observed throwing bottles, rocks, and large pieces of debris. As a result, several officers were injured, and several City of Miami Vehicles were burglarized, damaged, and/or torched.

Through investigative means, authorities have since identified two suspects who contributed to the described civil disturbance.

The Miami Police Department's Felony Apprehension Team located and placed **Ethan Moise Berdah, D.O.B. 09/21/2000** and **Oriana Virginia Albornoz, D.O.B 03/10/1995** into police custody on June 22, 2020. Mr. Berdah was charged with one count each of Grand Theft/Law Enforcement Emergency Vehicle Equipment \$300 or more, Burglary/Unoccupied Conveyance, and Resisting Officer Without Violence To His Person. Ms. Albornoz was charged with one count of Battery/Police Officer/Corrections/Firefighter.

See attached Arrest Affidavits.

Despite being in the face of mass anger and hostility, our officers have and will continue to display a level of professionalism while engaged in their duty to serve and protect. In the City of Miami, we support peaceful protests, however there will be zero tolerance for those who hide behind the peaceful protestors to incite riots, damage property, and hurt members of the public or our officers.

Anyone with information on other suspects involved are urged to contact the Miami Police Department at (305) 579-6111. Those with information who wish to remain anonymous may contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (8477), visit www.crimestoppersmiami.com and select "Give a Tip" or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by the tip information and press send.

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