



NILES POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASE

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CASE: 2023-20483
2023-21580

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Unlawful Use of a Weapon Arrest

Niles, IL – On 5/18/2023, around 1:20 AM, an NPD officer attempted to stop a 2013 Infiniti sedan for an Illinois Vehicle Code violation in the 7200 block of Dempster Street. As the officer approached the vehicle, it fled eastbound on Dempster Street at a high rate of speed. The officer did not pursue the vehicle. An incident report was generated and sent to the NPD Detective Bureau for follow up.

On 5/26/2023, at approximately 12:30 AM, NPD Special Operations investigators following up on this incident conducted a traffic stop on the offending vehicle in the 800 block of Seward Street, Evanston, IL. The investigators observed a firearm with an extended magazine in plain view in the vehicle. The driver, who was later identified as the below listed suspect, was detained and the firearm was recovered. The firearm was found to be a Beretta 9 mm handgun loaded with approximately thirty rounds of ammunition.

The suspect was transported to the NPD. The Cook County State's Attorney's Office approved the following:

Charges:

Unlawful Possession of a Weapon by a Convicted Felon: Class 3 Felony (720 ILCS 5/24-1.1)
Driving While Suspended/Revoked Drivers License: Class A Misdemeanor (625 ILCS 5/6-303)

Suspect: Hurtado Garcia, Alexis M.
Male/24 years of age
LKA: 4300 block of W. Schubert Avenue, Chicago, IL, 60639

The suspect was transported to bond court on 5/26/2023 and was issued a \$10,000 D bond by a judge.

All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Please direct media inquiries to npdpio@vniles.com.

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