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RE: **UPDATE** - Traffic Accident

Fountain, Colorado

****UPDATE****

The male individual believed to have caused the crash of the Greyhound Bus has been identified as 47 year old Mexican National, Edmundo Arellanes-Audelo. Upon further investigation, officers learned that Edmundo was threatening the driver and the other 26 passengers with a knife. He then gained access into the secured area of the bus and attempted to attack the driver while purposely grabbing the steering wheel causing the bus to crash.

Another passenger on the bus confronted Edmundo at which point Edmundo was able to break out a window and exit the bus. Upon exiting the bus, Edmundo was then confronted by a passer-by. The passer-by was armed with a gun and he displayed it to Edmundo. Edmundo dropped the knife and remained on scene until law enforcement arrived moments later. After a medical clearance was obtained, Edmundo was booked into the El Paso County Jail.

He has been charged with Felony Criminal Mischief, Hindering Public Transportation, Felony Menacing with a Weapon, Assault, and Reckless Endangerment.

Again, we would like to thank Colorado State Patrol for their assistance with the traffic accident and traffic control on the interstate.



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On Monday, August 20, 2018, at approximately 7:00pm, personnel from the Fountain Police Department, and the City of Fountain Fire Department responded to northbound I-25, close to the overpass at S Academy, to investigate a single vehicle accident.

The accident involved a Greyhound Bus, with passengers on board, headed to Denver. While officers were responding to the accident, they learned there was a male passenger armed with a knife who was threatening other passengers. Once officers arrived, the armed male was taken into custody without incident. Only several minor injuries were reported from some of the other passengers.

This is an ongoing investigation and charges are pending for the male in custody. The Fountain Police Department is the agency investigating the criminal charges and Colorado State Patrol is assisting with the traffic accident portion of this incident. Upon initial examination we believe the male in custody deliberately caused the accident.

If anyone has additional information regarding the crash, please contact the Fountain Police Department at 719-382-8555, or you may leave an anonymous tip with CrimeStoppers at 634-STOP (7867).