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Arrest Made in October Aggravated Assault on Muni 21-069(a)

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On October 3, 2020, at approximately 2:15 PM, the victim, a 44-year-old, male San Francisco resident was on board a Muni 14-Line bus at Mission and Duboce Streets when the suspect, who was a passenger on the bus, threw the victim out of the bus's rear door. The victim landed on the sidewalk, striking his head on the ground. The victim was transported to a local hospital with a traumatic brain injury and remains hospitalized as of the date of this news release.

The San Francisco Police Department issued a news release (#21-069, March 19, 2021) containing a still photo of the suspect and seeking the public's assistance in identifying him.

On March 25, 2021, the suspect, Epriece Collins, a 19-year-old San Francisco resident, turned himself in at Mission Station. Following an interview with SFPD investigators, Collins was booked into the San Francisco County Jail on the following charges: aggravated assault by force likely to cause great bodily injury (245(a)(4) PC) and battery resulting in serious bodily injury (243(d) PC).

Investigators attributed Collins' surrender to the news release and associated news media and social media surrounding the investigation.

The person of interest listed in the initial news release has also been identified.

While an arrest has been made, this remains an open investigation. Anyone with information regarding this investigation is asked to call the SFPD Tip Line at <u>1-415-575-4444</u> or Text a Tip to <u>TIP411</u> and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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