



The Hoboken Police Department

106 Hudson St., Hoboken, New Jersey 07030

Hoboken Police Officers have arrested 34-year-old William Paneque of Union City in connection with a stabbing.

On **Friday, September 29, 2023**, at approximately 2 a.m., Police Officers Nicholas Protopapadakis, Aaron Font, and Michael Straten responded to The Madd Hatter, 221 Washington St., for reports of a stabbing. When they arrived, they located one victim with non-life-threatening stab wounds to his buttocks. Witnesses informed officers that the suspect had gone back into the bar but was no longer on the scene.

Sgt. Luke Zeszotarski, Sgt. Dennis Figueroa, Detective Ryan Houghton, and Police Officers Christopher Soto, Shawn Sodora, Enrico Gnassi, Joseph Spano, Marvin Dejesus, and Matthew Bonanno arrived on scene. A perimeter was established, the area canvassed, and evidence collected.

The victim was treated on scene by the Hoboken Volunteer Ambulance Corps and transported to Jersey City Medical Center for further evaluation. He was released after treatment.

A follow up investigation by Detective Christine Collins positively identified Paneque as the actor. A complaint was generated, charging him with aggravated assault, possession of a weapon for unlawful purposes, and unlawful possession of a weapon.

On **Sunday, October 1, 2023**, at approximately 5 p.m., Paneque turned himself in at Hoboken Police Headquarters. He was processed by Police Officers Harold Milne and Anthony Azzoline and then transported to the Hudson County Correctional Facility.

The charges are merely accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty in a court of law.