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Dayton Man Indicted for SWAT Standoff

State v. Derrick Lewis, 2020-CR-0037

DAYTON, OH (01/14/2020) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **DERRICK J. LEWIS**, 21, of Dayton, has been indicted on counts related to a 13-hour standoff with police which occurred on January 3, 2020.

At approximately 11:00 on Friday, January 3, 2020, Dayton Police officers responded to an apartment on Briarwood Avenue. Once they arrived, the officers attempted to arrest the defendant on an outstanding warrant. The defendant ran to the back of the apartment and grabbed a gun. Inside the apartment were the defendant's girlfriend and her two sons. Concerned for the safety of the hostages, the officers retreated outside. The defendant shot at officers three times but did not strike any of them. The SWAT team responded to the scene and after a standoff that lasted over 13 hours, the defendant was taken into custody. The defendant's girlfriend had been punched and kicked, and he would not allow her or the children to leave during the standoff with police.

Today, the Montgomery County Grand Jury indicted the defendant on:

- Two counts of Felonious Assault on a police officer
- Three counts of Kidnapping
- One count of Discharge of a Firearm On or Near Prohibited Premises
- One count of Improperly Discharging a Firearm At or Into a Habitation
- One count of Having Weapons While Under Disability – prior drug conviction
- One count of Inducing Panic
- One count of Domestic Violence
- One count of Endangering Children

The counts of felonious assault include 3-year firearm specifications and 7-year firearm specification for discharging a firearm at a law enforcement officer. The counts of kidnapping include 3-year firearm specifications.

The defendant is currently in custody being held in the Montgomery County Jail on a \$1,000,000 bond. He will be arraigned on Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 8:30 a.m.

Prosecutor Heck continued, "Many residents in the area of Briarwood and Smithville Roads had to be evacuated for their safety, but thankfully no one was shot or seriously injured during the standoff. This was a tense situation for the officers and terrifying for the victim and her children."

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