

## News Release

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## Aberdeen Police Arrest Two Men Following Sexual Assault Investigation

Aberdeen, MD — The Aberdeen Police Department (APD) has arrested two men following an investigation into the reported sexual assault of a juvenile.

On May 9, 2026, at approximately 2:18 p.m., officers encountered a juvenile outside a motel in the 900 block of Hospitality Way who appeared to be in distress. After a brief conversation with the juvenile, officers immediately recognized indicators that the juvenile may have been the victim of a violent crime.

Members of the APD Criminal Investigations Division responded and assumed responsibility for the investigation.

As a result of the investigation, detectives identified Jeofredo Andason Santos Bernal, 24, of Parkville, and Miguel De Jesus Pineda Lopez, 27, of Baltimore, as suspects in the case. Both men were subsequently taken into custody following a traffic stop in Aberdeen.

During the investigation, detectives obtained and executed a search warrant related to the case. As a result of the search, investigators recovered additional evidence, including a handgun believed to be connected to the incident.

Both suspects have been charged with multiple serious felony offenses, including rape and related crimes involving the use of a dangerous weapon.

Due to the sensitive nature of this investigation and the victim's age, no additional identifying information regarding the juvenile will be released.

This investigation remains active. Police are asking anyone with information regarding this incident to contact Detective Sergeant Shoffstall at 410-272-2121 and follow these steps: press # 2, press #8, and dial extension 162.

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