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Update re. Suspect Shot During Robbery Attempt

Arrested Suspect: Almedin Muratovic, W/M, DOB 01/12/86 of 970 85 Avenue North Apt #109 St. Petersburg.

Muratovic has been charged with last night's robbery attempt at the Regions Bank ATM at 8250 DR. MLK Drive North.

In addition to the two counts of Attempted Armed Robbery, he has also been charged with being Felon in Possession of a Firearm. The gun used in the robbery and recovered last night was a 22 cal revolver.

Muratovic has prior arrests for Aggravated Assault with a Firearm, Fleeing and Eluding, Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Resisting Arrest without Violence and Possession of a Controlled Substance.

Muratovic remains hospitalized at this time and there are no updates on his condition.

Original Release of 07/05/11 at 11:33 PM *****

At approximately 9:10 PM, this evening, officers were called to the Regions Bank at 8250 Dr. MLK Street North regarding two men seen struggle over a gun near the ATM. Upon arrival officers found a w/m subject who had been shot and was lying on the ground near the ATM. A handgun was also lying nearby and was secured by the officers.

The wounded man was transported to Bayfront Medical Center where he is listed in serious condition, but is expected to survive. It was subsequently determined that this subject had in fact attempted to rob a woman who was utilizing the ATM at the Regions Bank.

The woman's boyfriend, who was seated in a car nearby along with their 5 year old child, got out and intervened. The boyfriend struggled with the suspect over the gun which eventually discharged wounding the suspect in the upper body. The boyfriend managed to wrestle the gun away from the suspect's grasp and threw to the ground until officers arrived.

Neither one of the victims was injured. Both remained on the scene and were subsequently interviewed by detectives.

The investigation is still ongoing and additional details will be released at a later time.

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