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Detectives Investigate Homicide at 4566 28 Avenue North

At 8:59 a.m. this morning, officers were called to 4566 28 Avenue North regarding the report of a stabbing.

The complaint, Kenneth Hall, told 911 operators that he had just stabbed someone in the chest and that the victim was lying on the couch in the living room.

Upon arrival, officers found the victim, Jack Blanchard, W/M, 02/20/36, lying on the couch with stab wounds to the upper body. He was pronounced dead on the scene. Next of kin have been notified.

The suspect, Kenneth Hall, W/M, 07/31/46, who apparently rents a room from Blanchard, was found on the scene and made spontaneous statements that he had stabbed the victim. At this point the motive is unknown.

Hall was taken into custody and transported to police headquarters for further interview with detectives.

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