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Suspect Arrested and Arraigned on Weapons Possession and Narcotics Distribution:

CENTRAL FALLS – On December 16, 2014, members of the Central Falls Police Department Special Investigative Unit (SIU) executed a court authorized search warrant at 39 Phillips Street, third floor; the target of the investigation being Paul Washburn (25) of Central Falls.

Upon entering the apartment Washburn was detained as a search of the apartment was conducted; during which, investigators located a 9mm Luger semi-automatic handgun along with a fully loaded magazine. Upon inspection of the firearm it was discovered that the serial number had been altered. Furthermore, SIU uncovered a sizable quantity of crack cocaine, a black digital scale and \$730.00 in U.S. currency.

All items were seized and later placed into evidence. Washburn was placed under arrest and transported to the station for processing where he was held overnight at the Central Falls Police Station until he could be transported to District Court this morning for his arraignment.

Washburn was charged with Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Distribute, Distribution of a Controlled Substance within a School Zone, Possession of a Firearm while in the Commission of a Controlled Substance Violation, and Alteration of Marks of Identification on a Firearm.

He was ordered held without bail until his Violation / Bail Hearing scheduled for December 29, 2014.

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