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Man Arrested After 16 Hour Standoff

At about noon on Tuesday, September 9, 2003, the Fresno County Sheriff's Department received a 911-telephone call from a house in the 7400 block of Laguna Vista in Fresno. The caller said that her son was at her address when he threatened to get a gun and shoot someone over a family disagreement. The caller identified the suspect as David Reinhardt, age 39, and provided a description of her son, the parents then left the house.

When deputies arrived they saw a male subject matching the description walk outside the house with a gun, then walk back inside. Information was received that there were several weapons in the house that the suspect had access to including rifles. Residents close to the home were evacuated. Fresno County Sheriff's Department negotiators responded as well as the SWAT team. Negotiators were in contact with the suspect throughout this incident and during this contact the suspect threatened to shoot deputies.

At about 9:15 p.m. a robot with a camera was sent to the house and as it approached, the suspect shot it disabling it completely. The suspect then ran to the front of the house and from inside, shot at deputies outside. Gas canisters were shot into the residence and still the suspect did not come out. Fresno Police Department and Clovis Police Department SWAT teams responded to assist to be available if needed.

Contact continued with the suspect via the negotiators and finally at about 4:00 a.m. Wednesday morning the suspect walked out of the house and was arrested. No one was injured during this incident.

The investigation is continuing and preliminarily the charges are Terrorist Threats and Attempted Murder with the victims being family members as well as personnel from the Fresno County Sheriff's Department. For additional information contact Lt. R. Kandarian at (559) 488-3904.