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MEDIA ADVISORY: Explosives Found In Residence

The Fresno County Sheriff's Department's Explosive Ordinance Detail successfully destroyed three grenades that were found earlier in a Fresno residence.

On August 14th at approximately 12:00 pm, deputies were dispatched to a residence located in the 5400 block of E. Balch Ave. regarding the explosive devices.

The investigation revealed that the resident had recently passed away, and while cleaning out the house, relatives located the grenades in the house. The resident had reportedly served in the military during World War II and had possessed the grenades since his discharge.

Members of the EOD responded to the residence and found the three grenades to be live, MKII high explosive grenades. All appeared to be in good condition and were contained in their original cardboard containers.

The grenades were transported to a secured area where they were rendered safe.

The Sheriff's Department would like to remind members of the public to immediately contact law enforcement if you come into contact with any object you believe to be, or appears to be an explosive device. You may contact the Sheriff's Department at 488-3111.