MEDIA RELEASE

Man arrested for Impersonating a Police Officer in Deerfield Township

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On Tuesday, July 12, 2016, Detectives from the Warren County Sheriff's Office arrested a man who had identified himself as a police officer to extort money from a victim. Detectives had been contacted by a man claiming to have been the victim of an elaborate scheme, where he had met a female at the Marriott Hotel after responding to her ad on backpage.com. While he was there, another man burst into the room and identified himself as a police officer, and he told him he would have to pay him cash to avoid criminal and professional consequences. The suspect reached out to the victim a second time, demanding more money, and Detectives arranged a meeting.

The suspect, Ronnie L. Tyler, 35, of Monroe, was arrested and charged with felony counts of Extortion and Impersonating a Police Officer. The female suspect, Mendy L. Roberts, 32, of Middletown, has been charged with one felony count of Complicity to Extortion. Both are scheduled to be arraigned in Mason Municipal Court and are currently being held in the Warren County Jail without bond.

This incident is still under investigation by the Warren County Sheriff's Office, and anyone with information about this case is urged to contact Lieutenant John Faine at 513-695-1522.

