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Arrest Made for Sexual Battery and Indecent Exposure

Hanover, Va. – Deputies have arrested Maliak Al Mawat, 53, of Henrico County.

On June 18, 2018, deputies responded to a business in the 7200 block of Bell Creek Road for a report of a sexual battery. Once on scene deputies spoke with a female victim who stated a male touched her inappropriately without her consent while she was shopping.

While speaking to the first victim, another female victim approached deputies and had the same complaint and indicated that it just happened.

Deputies immediately began searching the store and located a subject matching the description both victims had provided. The suspect was positively identified by both victims and was subsequently arrested and charged with two counts of sexual battery, one count of indecent exposure and public intoxication. Mawat is currently incarcerated at Pamunkey Regional Jail and is being held without bond.

Anyone with additional information about this incident, or who can identify this individual, is asked to contact the Hanover County Sheriff's Office at (804) 365-6140 or the Metro Richmond Crime Stoppers at (804) 780-1000. Citizens can also download the "P3 Tips" app for their mobile device to submit their tip. Both Crime Stoppers methods are anonymous.



Maliak A. Mawat, 53

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