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### Traffic Stop Leads to Drug and Weapon Charges in Binghamton

(BINGHAMTON, NY) A routine traffic stop in Binghamton led to multiple felony charges for a stolen weapon and drug possession in Binghamton over the weekend.

During the early morning hours on Saturday, September 16, 2023, Broome County Sheriff's Office Deputy Jordan Barnett performed a traffic stop on a 2014 Ford Escape on Court Street in Binghamton.

While speaking with the driver, Matin Avdel, age 28 of Johnson City, Sheriff's Deputies noticed a clear plastic bag filled with pills and powder in a fanny pack Avdel was wearing. When questioned, Avdel admitted to possessing illegal substances on both his person and in the vehicle he was driving. Avdel also identified a weapon hidden in his hoodie pocket.

After searching Avdel and the vehicle, deputies recovered the following evidence:

- 12 pills identified as Oxycodone Hydrochloride
- 7 multi-colored pills of various shapes which field tested positive for MDMA
- 1 pill identified as Amphetamine/Dextroamphetamine
- A Ruger LCP Max .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol with a defaced serial number and 2 rounds of ammunition in the magazine

As a result of the investigation, Matin Avdel was arrested and charged with the following:

- Criminal Possession of a Loaded Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, a Class C Felony
- Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, a Class D Felony
- Four Counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 7<sup>th</sup> Degree, Class A Misdemeanors

Avdel was taken into custody and arraigned in Binghamton City Court. He is currently being held at the Broome County Correctional Facility.

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