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SUBJECT: Port St. Lucie police officer convinces man with a gun to surrender; arrest made without incident.

On September 5, 2016, Port St. Lucie Police arrested Courtney Joydell Miller (DOB 11/10/84, 372 SW Tulip Boulevard, Port St. Lucie) for aggravated assault with deadly weapon after he pulled a gun on a family member.

On September 5, 2016 at 2:00 pm, Port St. Lucie Police went to the 300 block of SW Tulip Boulevard for a call that Miller pointed a gun at a family member. Police learned that Miller was engaged in a heated argument with his 71 year old mother. As Miller was yelling at his mother in an aggressive manner, his 22 year old nephew tried to separate the two. Miller pushed his nephew then pulled out a gun and pointed it at his nephew stating "this ain't over". Miller then fled the house on foot still armed with the gun.

Police officers were able to contact Miller via cell phone and negotiated with him to surrender peacefully. During the conversation officers learned where Miller had gone and after a successful conversation was able to convince Miller to put the gun down and surrender to police. The officer negotiating with Miller keyed up his police radio so other officers could hear where Miller was at and that he had put the gun down. A Police sergeant arrived at the intersection of SW College Park Drive and SW Hillsboro Circle and located Miller and the gun, which was in the middle of the street a few feet away from Miller.

Miller was placed into custody without incident and taken to the St. Lucie County Jail for booking.



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Attachments: Booking photo, ~~photo of scene, audio recording of~~ portion of police radio transmission.