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ARREST MADE IN ATTEMPT BANK ROBBERY

(San Diego, CA) Patrol officers from the San Diego Police Department's Southeastern Division arrested Dennis Daniel Atilas, 57, for an attempt bank robbery this afternoon. The officers were assisted by San Diego Police Department Robbery Unit detectives and investigators from the Violent Crimes Task Force and agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

Today, a suspect entered the Wells Fargo Bank located at 346 Euclid Avenue at about 2:40 p.m. He gave the teller a note demanding money. The note also claimed the suspect was armed with a gun; however, no weapon was seen. The teller took the note and walked away from the service window. A few moments later, the suspect walked out of the bank toward the Euclid trolley station. He did not receive any money from the teller. At the time of the attempt robbery, the suspect was described as a Hispanic male, 38-45 years old, unshaven, 5-7, 190 pounds. He was wearing a Green Bay Packers ball cap and a gray jacket.

Patrol officers quickly saturated the area and located Atilas under a bridge to the northwest of the bank. Dennis Atilas (10-31-53) was detained and positively identified as the attempt robbery suspect. Atilas is currently homeless.

Atilas was arrested on one count of bank robbery. It is anticipated that that a federal complaint will be filed tomorrow in the United States District Court, Southern District of California.

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