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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: Accidental Shooting Date: October 2, 2009

From: Cindee Brown-Mills Case or Incident: 091002-013

Summary:

There was an accidental shooting this afternoon in the Lemon Creek area at about 2:20pm.

The incident began with a group of adults planning to go shooting at a gun range. Witnesses report that four (4) adults and an infant were in an apartment when a 25 year old Juneau man began handling one of the rifles. Another adult was concerned about the infant and asked him to be careful because the gun may be loaded. The man joked that there was one way to find out if it was loaded and, at that point, he reportedly put the rifle in his mouth and pulled the trigger.

When police arrived the man was unresponsive with life threatening wounds. Capital City Fire and Rescue rushed him to Bartlett Regional Hospital where they are preparing him for a medevac flight to Seattle.

It appears that no alcohol or drugs were involved in this incident.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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