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MAN RECEIVES 70 MONTHS PRISON SENTENCE FOR RANDOMLY ATTACKING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT IN NORTHEAST PORTLAND

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that Carlos Nampula-Cruz, 38, received a 70 month prison sentence in connection with a random attack against a 17-year-old boy near Benson High School in Northeast Portland.

"No one should ever have to experience something like this, especially a 17-year-old high school student who was walking with his friend to get an after school snack," said Multnomah County Deputy District Attorney Todd Jackson, who prosecuted this case. "This was a random, unprovoked attack that occurred less than a block away from a place where everyone should feel safe, a high school."

Nampula-Cruz pleaded guilty to one count each of attempted second-degree assault, unlawful use of a weapon, second-degree assault and first-degree criminal mischief.

The investigation started on February 8, 2018 when Portland Police responded to reports of a disturbance around 2:30 p.m. near Northeast 9th and Northeast Flanders Street.

The 17-year-old victim who was stabbed suffered non-life threatening injuries to his shoulder.

According to court documents filed in Multnomah County Circuit Court, prior to the actual stabbing, Nampula-Cruz attempted to stab another unrelated, random person. He then threatened to stab a third person, threw a brick through a fourth victim's car window, breaking it, and then stabbed the 17-year-old boy.

"After all of that, this defendant proceeded to kick a fifth victim's vehicle door, causing property damage before ultimately being taken into custody by the Portland Police Bureau," Jackson said.

As part of the plea agreement reached with the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office, Nampula-Cruz will be ordered to pay restitution, which will be determined later, and will be on three years of post-prison supervision.

Media: A photo of the knife used in this stabbing is being provided as part of this press release.

A booking photo of Nampula-Cruz can be obtained through the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office.



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