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## PRESS RELEASE

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A Sidney man was arrested by Delaware County Sheriff's Office Investigators following a sting operation and the execution of a search warrant on a vehicle on Delaware Avenue in the Village Sidney early Thursday afternoon by members of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office, K-9 "Ozzie" and Village of Sidney Police Department. The Search Warrant was obtained following a month long investigation conducted by members of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division, Village of Sidney Police Department, Delaware County Probation Department and City of Oneonta Police Department, that focused on heroin trafficking in and around the Village of Sidney and City of Oneonta.



Richard T. Swislosky, 38, of Sidney, was arrested by members of the Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division and charged with one class B felony offense of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree and 9 class C felony counts of Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument in the First Degree. Swislosky is accused of possessing a quantity of heroin with the intent to sell it to another individual. He is further accused of possessing nine counterfeited U.S. \$20.00 bills. Sheriff's Investigators seized a quantity of heroin, a color printer/copier that was utilized for counterfeiting the money and the vehicle that Swislosky was driving Thursday afternoon. Swislosky was also in possession of a New York State Public Assistance Benefit card at the time of arrest.

Swislosky was arraigned in the Village of Sidney Court on the charges and was remanded to the Delaware County Correctional Facility without bail pending further court action.

Swislosky, who was released from the Delaware County Correctional Facility in May of this year after serving a one year sentence of imprisonment that was imposed upon him in September, 2014, as a result of his felony Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree conviction, is expected to face additional felony drug trafficking charges in the future.

The United States Secret Service, Syracuse, was contacted Thursday afternoon and advised of the seizure of the counterfeited currency and the color printer/copier.