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Man Charged with Assaulting Police Officers with Nail Gun

A man was charged today with firing a nail gun at police officers responding to a disturbance at an El Sereno home this week, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Bruce Edward Stiff (dob 2/22/61) is charged in case BA477829 with four counts of assault upon a peace officer with a weapon likely to produce great bodily injury, two counts of resisting executive officer, one count of assault with a deadly weapon and one count of vandalism causing damage over \$400, all felonies.

The complaint includes allegations that Stiff was convicted of assault with a deadly weapon in June 2015 in Los Angeles County.

He is expected to be arraigned this afternoon in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

On May 13, officers with the Los Angeles Police Department responded to a call about an altercation at a house where Stiff was staying, prosecutors said. After the officers arrived, the defendant is accused of firing at them and a woman who lived in the home with a nail gun, as well as damaging windows and items in the residence.

He was arrested after a five-hour standoff with police.

Stiff faces a possible maximum sentence of 30 years in state prison if convicted as charged. Prosecutors are recommending bail be set at \$365,000.

The case remains under investigation by the LAPD, Hollenbeck Division.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.