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ARREST RELEASE

ROCKFORD, ILL. – On Monday, September 5, 2016, Rockford Police Department patrol officers responded to a residence in the 1600 block of Ridge Avenue in reference to a standby. A citizen had requested that an officer standby while he removed some belongings from the residence. While officers were on scene, one of the residents, Willie Key, arrived home in a vehicle. Key appeared to be concealing a weapon on his person as he approached the residence. When officers confronted Key he attempted to discard a handgun, later determined to be a .38 caliber revolver. Officers took Key into custody and recovered the weapon.

While Key was being processed at the Winnebago County Jail it was discovered that he was in possession of a substance that was later determined to contain heroin. Key was later lodged in the jail on the following charges:

ARRESTED: Willie Key 64-years-old Rockford, IL
CHARGES: Armed Violence
Aggravated Unlawful Use of Weapons
Possession of Heroin
No Firearms Owner's Identification
Resisting Arrest
Driving While Revoked
No Insurance

A photo of Key is attached. No further information is available for release at this time. Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

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All charges are merely allegations and parties are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in a court of law.

