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Press Release –Aggravated Arson Response and Arrest

On May 19, 2018 at 11:57 pm, Bountiful Police Department responded with South Davis Metro Fire to 1450 North 285 east in Bountiful on reports of an apartment fire. It was reported the fire alarms in the building had activated and residents were evacuating the building. In the north wing on the second floor, the carpet was on fire. Two residents used fire extinguishers in an attempt to put out the fire. As fire crews arrived they were met by a visitor to the complex complaining of smoke inhalation. This individual was transported to a local hospital with minor injuries. Crews encountered smoke but no fire.

Crews worked on removing the smoke from the north wing (ventilation). While working on ventilation crews noticed burn patterns in the carpet and north stairwell that were consistent with the pouring of an ignitable liquid.

Police and Fire Investigators were called in due to the nature of the fire; the cause of the fire has been determined to be arson. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.00.

After gathering evidence and conducting witness interviews, Bountiful Police arrested Ronald Makin, a 50 year old resident of the complex and booked him into the Davis County Jail on charges of aggravated arson.