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### MEDIA RELEASE

June 5, 2023

#### Aggravated Assault **23SC09742**

On June 5, 2023, at approximately 0106 hours, State College Police Officers responded to the area of Plaza Drive for a report of a 16-year-old male who had been stabbed. Officers located the juvenile victim and observed lacerations on his back, leg, and arm. The juvenile victim reported being assaulted by a male known to him and described the weapon used as a "machete." During the assault the juvenile's backpack was taken. The juvenile victim was transported to UPMC Altoona via ambulance for treatment of his injuries and has since been released.

The incident investigation led to the arrest of 19-year-old Emanuel Cespedes of Port Matilda. Cespedes was arraigned before Magisterial District Judge Lachman on charges of Aggravated Assault, Robbery, Simple Assault, Receiving Stolen Property and Harassment. Cespedes was remanded to Centre County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$150,000.00 bail. The investigation is ongoing and we are urging anyone who may have information regarding this incident to contact the State College Police Department at (814) 234-7150, by [email](#) or submit an [anonymous tip](#) through our website.