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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Deputies Stop Attempted Jail Escape**

PUTNAM COUNTY, TN – Last night, Putnam County Jail Deputies Austin Ahrens and James Murphy were able to stop an attempt escape by 29-year old Daniel Bull who is being held in the Max Security Cell Block of the Putnam County Jail awaiting sentencing for two counts of Aggravated Assault, two counts of Vandalism and one count of Burglary. With the aid of an outside accomplice, Bull had obtained saw blades and was trying using them to cut through the bars in his cell window. He was unsuccessful. Putnam County Jail officials are seeking indictments against Bull for Attempted Escape, Introduction of Contraband and Introduction of Weapons into the jail.

“Even with hourly inspections of every cell block and 24/7 video surveillance, prisoners have a lot of time on their hands and they are constantly thinking of ways to circumvent the system,” said Jail Administrator Tim Nash. “They will use paper products, tin foil from juice cartons, and other seemingly harmless products to make weapons that could potentially harm other inmates or deputies. We maintain constant vigilance against these threats as well as contraband that prisoners and their friends/family try to introduce into the jail. With a jail population that changes daily, this is a constant threat that our deputies work tirelessly to prevent. That’s their job.”

“I am proud of the work of our deputies do to keep everyone safe,” added Nash. “In this case, they acted quickly to prevent the threat and were able to stop this individual without harm to himself, other prisoners or the deputies.”

An ongoing investigation is being conducted by the Putnam County Sheriff’s Office. Anyone with information pertaining to this case is encouraged to call 931-528-8484.

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