Cigarette bandit arrested for assault, robbery

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Officers from the Gallup Police Department were dispatched to Speedway Central, 1223 E. Hwy. 66, in reference to a ARMED ARMED

robbery July 31.

Officers made contact with the reporting employee, who informed officers that a male walked in to the business with a handgun and fired off one round, asking for cigarettes.

The employee behind the counter informed officers, the male pointed the gun at him and said, "Menthol cigarettes."

The employee began to open the register and the male suspect fired off another round from the gun, into the air, again asking for cigarettes. The employee gave the cigarettes to the male suspect. The male suspect then placed \$4 on the counter and walked out the door.

Cigarettes were valued at \$8. The suspect, described as Hispanic looking, height of 6-feet, heavy set, light skin with possible facial hair; and was wearing a white T-shirt, gray shorts, and a gray baseball cap.

Gallup Police detectives were called to this incident and began the investigation.

Detectives obtained an arrest warrant after interviews and gathering of evidence for Fernando Segovia, 28, of Gallup. The warrant is for Armed Robbery (2nd Degree Felony), Aggravated Assault (4

Counts of Shooting at inhabited dwelling or occupied building (4

Degree Felony), and Possession of firearm or destructive device by a felon (4 th

Degree Felony).

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Segovia was booked in the McKinley County Detention Center.