## **Shooting at El Rancho Hotel**

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Around 6:30 pm on Dec. 30, Gallup police officers in the area of the El Rancho Hotel heard the sound of numerous gunshots.

They saw a man reloading a firearm and ordered him onto the ground, where he was handcuffed. They determined that he had been shot in his right torso and they began rendering medical aid.

On further investigation, they determined the man they handcuffed had been firing at two people in the parking lot of the hotel.

Those two people were also armed and returned fire.

Before officers could determine their involvement, the two entered a white newer-model extended cab Toyota Tundra and fled the scene.

The man who was shot in the torso was taken to a local hospital in critical condition. His identity has not been released.

Officers want to speak with the people who left in the Toyota Tundra, and anyone who may have seen what happened.

If you have information, contact the Gallup Police Department at (505) 863-9365. Ask for Det. Andrew Thayer. You may also make an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers at (877) 722-6161.

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