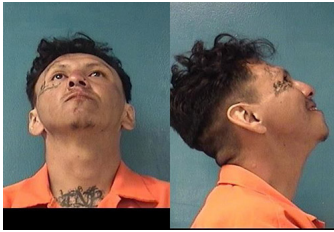


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A man was sitting outside a local business with a friend when another man approached him and stabbed him with a knife.

On Sept. 10, around 4:30 am, Gallup Police Officer Elijah Bowman was dispatched to Premier Carwash, 1115 W. Hwy. 66, after someone was stabbed. A caller told Metro Dispatch that her friend had been stabbed in the neck and the suspect, who was wearing a white long-sleeved shirt, had run off.

By the time Bowman arrived at the scene other officers already had the suspect, who was identified as Fernando Largo, on the ground and in handcuffs.

According to Bowman's report, the victim had a shirt covering up the cut on his neck when he met up with him. An ambulance arrived shortly after Bowman and medical personnel took care of the victim's injury.

The man explained that he and his friend had been sitting near Cash Station, 1113 W. Hwy. 66, when Largo, 31, approached them. The victim said he recognized Largo because he'd met him a couple times.

The victim said Largo asked him for a lighter, and then he went behind him and then suddenly the victim could feel a cut on his neck.

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The woman that had been hanging out with the victim confirmed his story. She said that the victim had told Largo to leave because he had begun touching her inappropriately.

Bowman went to look for a knife near Cash Station, but he was unable to find one. According to his report, he did notice a few drops of blood on the ground in front of the business.

Largo was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for Sept. 21.

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