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| POLICE DEPARTMENT Boston PD - Area A-1 | | POLICE INCIDENT NUMBER 252047870 | NEXT SCHEDULED EVENT |
| OBTN | PCF NUMBER 5545472 | DEFENDANT XREF ID 47074393 | ROOM / SESSION |
| The undersigned complainant, on behalf of the Commonwealth, on oath complains that on the date(s) indicated below the defendant committed the offense(s) listed below and on any attached pages. | | | |

| COUNT | CODE | DESCRIPTION |
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| 1 | 266/126A/B | VANDALIZE WAR/VETERANS MEMORIAL c266 §126A |
| <p>On 06/14/2025 did intentionally, willfully and maliciously or wantonly, paint, mark, scratch, etch or otherwise mark, injure, mar, deface or destroy the real or personal property of City of Boston], such property being a war or veterans memorial, monument or gravestone, in violation of G.L. c. 266, § 126A.</p> <p>PENALTY: state prison not more than 3 years; or house of correction not more than 2 years; or fine of not more than \$3000, or six times the value of the property damaged, whichever is greater; or both such imprisonment and fine ; plus the person convicted shall be ordered to perform not less than 500 hours of court-approved community service.</p> | | |

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| DRIVERS LICENSE NO. S88539602 | | STATE MA |
| GENDER MALE | HEIGHT 510 | WEIGHT 165 |
| EYES BROWN | | |

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| HAIR Brown | RACE WHITE | COMPLEXION MEDIUM | SCARS/MARKS/TATTOOS |
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| BIRTH STATE OR COUNTRY | DAY PHONE |
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| EMPLOYER/SCHOOL | MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME (FIRST MI LAST) | FATHER'S NAME (FIRST MI LAST) |
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CASE INFORMATION

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| COMPLAINANT NAME (FIRST MI LAST) ROONEY, SEAN1 | COMPLAINANT TYPE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLICE <input type="checkbox"/> CITIZEN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER | PD BOSTON POLI |
| ADDRESS ONE SCHROEDER PLAZA BOSTON, MA 02120 | PLACE OF OFFENSE 139 TREMONT STREET, BOSTON, MA 02111 | |
| | INCIDENT REPORT NO. 252047870 | OBTN |
| | CITATION NO(S). N/A, N/A | |

| | OFFENSE CODE | DESCRIPTION | OFFENSE DATE |
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| 1 | 266/126A/B-1 | VANDALIZE WAR/VETERANS MEMORIAL c266 §126A | 06/14/2025 |
| | VARIABLES (e.g. victim name, controlled substance, type and value of property, other variable information; see Complaint Language Manual) 06/14/2025 (OFFENSE DATE), CITY OF BOSTON (OWNER OF VANDALIZED WAR/VETERANS MEMORIAL) | | |
| 2 | 266/102/B-1 | HOAX INCENDIARY DEVICE, CHEM/BIO/NUCLEAR WEAPON, POSSESS C266 §102(b) | 07/23/2025 |
| | VARIABLES 07/23/2025 (DATE OF OFFENSE) | | |
| 3 | OFFENSE CODE | DESCRIPTION | OFFENSE DATE |
| | VARIABLES | | |

REMARKS

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| COMPLAINANT'S SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i> | DATE FILED 8/8/25 |
| DATE OF HEARING | TIME OF HEARING |

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| COURT USE ONLY | A HEARING UPON THIS COMPLAINT APPLICATION WILL BE HELD AT THE ABOVE COURT ADDRESS ON |
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| DATE | PROCESSING OF NON-ARREST APPLICATION (COURT USE ONLY) | COURT USE ONLY |
| | NOTICE SENT OF CLERK'S HEARING SCHEDULED ON: | CLERK/JUDGE |
| | NOTICE SENT OF JUDGE'S HEARING SCHEDULED ON: | |

- EVENT SIGNIFICANCE
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Auto Investigator | <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Body Worn Camera | <input type="checkbox"/> CRU - Hate/Bias |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Car Jack | <input type="checkbox"/> Child Abuse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Contaminated Drink |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DVIP | <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs | <input type="checkbox"/> Elderly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Encampment Response | <input type="checkbox"/> Gang |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gun | <input type="checkbox"/> Home Invasion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeland Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Homeland Security UASI |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Trafficking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Licensed Premise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Moped | <input type="checkbox"/> NIDV |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Agency/Unit Notified | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational Vehicle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reveler | <input type="checkbox"/> School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Search Warrant | <input type="checkbox"/> Section 12 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Section 35 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sex Offender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault | <input type="checkbox"/> Shots Fired |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Taser Deployment | <input type="checkbox"/> Victim Shot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Victim Stabbed | <input type="checkbox"/> Warrant Arrest |

NARRATIVE

About 7:47 Am on Saturday, 06/14/2025 Officer Depina in the A421D responded to a Radio Call for Investigate Premises at Arlington St and Commonwealth Ave. in the Public Garden.

Upon arrival, officer met the caller (Nathan Jon Hinchliffe, DOB- 09/04/1979) by the George Washington Statue, which was vandalized at the above-mentioned location. Hinchliffe stated that at around 7 Am in the morning he noticed that the George Washington Statue was vandalized with red spray paint lettering and with splashes of white paint all over the granite base and on the steps around the statue.

OFFENSE-1

OFFENSE CODE

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OCCURRED FROM DATE/TIME

Jun 14, 2025 07:47

OCCURRED TO DATE/TIME

Jun 14, 2025 08:30

OFFENSE COMPLETION

 COMPLETED
 ATTEMPTED

SUSPECTED HATE CRIME

 YES NO

SUSPECTED COMPUTER/ HANDHELD DEVICE USE

 YES NO

SUSPECTED ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION

 YES NO

SUSPECTED DRUG USE

 YES NO

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

 YES NO**OFFENSE LOCATION**

CITY

BOSTON

STATE

MA

ZIP

02116

COUNTRY CODE

US

INTERSECTION STREET 1

ARLINGTON ST

INTERSECTION STREET 2

COMMONWEALTH AVE

LOCATION CATEGORY

Park/ Playground

DISTRICT / SECTOR / REPORTING AREA / SUBDIVISION 4 / SUBDIVISION 5

D4 / D431 / 120

PUBLIC / PRIVATE

Public

VICTIMS-1

VICTIMS-1 NAME

V-1 Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ORGANIZATION TYPE

Criminal Justice

ORGANIZATION INDUSTRY

Government Administration

PHYSICAL ADDRESS

BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT - DISTRICT D4, 650 HARRISON AVE, BOSTON, MA 02118

PHONE NUMBER

(617) 343-4250 (Work Phone)

SUSPECTS-1

SUSPECTS-1 NAME (LAST, FIRST MIDDLE)

S-1 UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN

SEX

Unknown

RACE / ETHNICITY

Unknown / Unknown

MEDICAL INTERVENTION CARD

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| NAME | RELATIONSHIP | SUBJECT |
| Nathan Jon Hinchliffe | WITH | UNKNOWN UNKNOWN |
| NAME | RELATIONSHIP | SUBJECT |
| UNKNOWN UNKNOWN | IN INVESTIGATION WITH | Commonwealth of Massachusetts |
| NAME | RELATIONSHIP | SUBJECT |
| UNKNOWN UNKNOWN | RELATIONSHIP TO ORGANIZATION UNKNOWN | Commonwealth of Massachusetts |

PROPERTY & ITEMS ADDENDUM

252047870-1 OTHER ITEM - GEORGE WASHINGTON STATUE

ITEM CATEGORY

Other

DESCRIPTION

George Washington Statue

COLOR

Bronze/ Gray

OTHER - REPORTER

Nathan Jon Hinchliffe

STATUS

Damaged/Vandalized

STATUS DATE

Jun 14, 2025

TOTAL (\$) VALUE

UNKNOWN

IN POLICE CUSTODY

No

PROPERTY LINKED TO

Offense 1

This is a supplement to Boston Police report #252047870 (vandalism), originally authored on June 14, 2025. The purpose of this supplemental narrative is to establish probable cause such that Detective Rooney (V864) petition Boston Municipal Court (BMC) to grant an arrest warrant on behalf of Mr. Jermaiah SAWAQED (DOB 4/13/00 – 101 Mill Road, Apartment 637, Everett, Massachusetts) for the crime of Malicious Destruction of Property (MGL c266 s126A). The additional charge of Possession of Hoax Explosive, Device, or WMD (MGL c266 s102(b)) will also be sought in relation to Boston Police incident #252059842 (7/23/25) as they are germane to the overall investigation which generated the information presented below.

Boston Police Detective Rooney (V864 - BRIC FBI Boston/JTTF) along with other involved members of law enforcement, has been actively investigating a series of criminal incidents involving the vandalism of government/city property and the suspected possession and placement of improvised incendiary devices by individuals affiliated with the Direct-Action Movement for Palestinian Liberation (DAMPL). These events include (but are not limited to) the 6/14 /25 vandalism of the George Washington statue located inside the Boston Common (BPD #252047870), and the 7/23 /25 vandalism of the Massachusetts State House (24 Beacon Street, Boston) where there was a subsequent recovery of suspected incendiary devices from the adjacent Boston Common (BPD #252059842).

In May 2025, law enforcement agencies in the Boston and Greater Boston area became aware of a group known as the Direct-Action Movement for Palestinian Liberation (DAMPL), an extreme anti-Zionist organization that publicly advocates for criminal "direct action" against entities it associates with Israel, capitalism, and imperialism. The group promotes and justifies vandalism, sabotage, and other disruptive activities across the United States and internationally. DAMPL has taken credit for numerous acts of vandalism in Massachusetts, including incidents at the Massachusetts State House, the George Washington statue in Boston, and the MIT Stata Center. These actions have involved graffiti, paint and feces splatter, as well as the deployment of incendiary devices. The group frequently posts videos claiming responsibility for these attacks and spreads violent rhetoric, such as "Intifada until liberation" and "Palestine or we scorch the earth," while expressing support for Hamas and other designated terrorist organizations. DAMPL's messaging explicitly rejects peaceful protest, instead endorsing violent resistance and sabotage, and has raised significant public safety concerns.

Following this, on the evening of May 19, 2025, the BRIC received an intelligence email from NYPD Intelligence Division Detectives relaying information from Toronto Police regarding a concerning social media post with a possible nexus to Boston. A portion of the video featured an individual referring to himself as "Abu Sage," seen speaking in front of a stylized poster of Ghassan Kanafani, a Palestinian writer and member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), a designated terrorist organization in Canada. Abu Sage dismissed peaceful protest as ineffective and, at timestamp 5:34, explicitly called for sabotage and obstruction targeting government buildings and corporate logistics networks, stating:

although much of the information was circular. However, the overall threat environment escalated significantly following a shooting on the evening of May 21, 2025, in which two Israeli embassy employees were fatally shot in Washington, D.C., as they departed an event hosted by the American Jewish Committee, an organization known for combating antisemitism and supporting Israel.

On June 14, 2025, at approximately 7:47 AM, Boston Police responded to a report of vandalism at the George Washington Statue located at the intersection of Arlington Street and Commonwealth Avenue in the Boston Public Garden (BPD #252047870). The reporting party observed that the statue had been defaced with red spray-painted lettering, including the acronym "DAMPL Global," and the phrase "For Hind," believed to reference a Palestinian child killed in the Israel-Hamas conflict. A red triangle often associated with Hamas was also painted, and white paint was splattered on the granite base and steps surrounding the statue. A red spray paint can lid was recovered at the scene and collected for evidence. A review of LPR (License Plate Reader) camera footage identified a vehicle registered to Michael FANTASIA (DOB: 12/2/1984), a known member of DAMPL and associate of Jermaiah Sawaqed, in the immediate area of the Public Garden at approximately 2:30 AM. The vehicle, a black 2015 Toyota Rav-4 bearing Massachusetts registration 3RVY67, had not been detected within the City of Boston on Flock camera systems in the previous 30 days, suggesting intentional travel to the location. The vehicle had been added to a hotlist by BRIC analysts prior to two major events in Boston, based on Mr. Fantasia's affiliation with DAMPL and previous threatening social media posts directed toward law enforcement and government targets. A few hours after the hotlist alert, BPD received notification of the vandalism. The vehicle was tracked from the area of the alert to the location of the vandalism, further supporting the connection between the subject and the incident. City of Boston cameras in the area of the Boston Common and Beacon Street showed that multiple individuals met up (coming from different directions) previous to the vandalism and left separately.

Following this incident, and after analysis into DAMPL and its membership, investigators believed Jermaiah Sawaqed to have been the main participant in the recent vandalism of the George Washington Memorial on the Boston Common. This belief was based in part on publicly available social media posts made after the vandalism, in which the group DAMPL claimed responsibility. The video very clearly shows an individual (Mr. Sawaqed) throwing the paint onto the memorial. Mr. Sawaqed is also wearing identifiable clothing seen in other social media posts observed (and preserved) by investigators. Investigators conducted surveillance of Sawaqed at his residence located at 101 Mill Road in the City of Everett. On multiple occasions, investigators observed Sawaqed exiting the residence and entering a Subaru Crosstrek (MA reg 5GCS94 – registered to his mother Naila Dahabrah (DOB 7/31/74)). During the surveillance, Sawaqed was observed operating the vehicle in an erratic manner driving at high rates of speed, making abrupt and unsafe lane changes, and traveling down dead-end streets in an apparent attempt to conduct counter-surveillance/evasion or determine whether he was possibly being followed by law enforcement.

... paint on two cement pillars connected to the front gate. The suspect appeared to have attempted to write the words "Dive," "Divert," or "Diversity," but ultimately sprayed the pillar aimlessly. No structural damage was observed on the front gate or steps. MSP reviewed the surveillance footage with the DCR Rangers and confirmed their account. The footage showed the suspect with his head and face completely covered by a white piece of clothing or bandana, with only his eyes and nose exposed. At 3:22 am, the male emerged from behind the stone wall and steps leading to the Boston Common. He approached the front steps carrying a can of paint. Although the pillars obstructed most of his body, his arm movements suggested he was spray-painting the structure. He then proceeded to throw paint on the steps and entrance. After approximately one minute, the suspect crossed back over Beacon Street and re-entered the Boston Common.

On July 23, 2025, at approximately 2:50:39 AM, Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) analysts tracked a 2018 Subaru Crosstrek bearing Massachusetts registration 5GCS94 from Purchase and Summer Streets to a parked location near Beacon and Spruce Streets by 2:55 AM. Prior to that, at 2:51 AM, a Flock License Plate Reader (LPR) system had captured the same vehicle at the intersection of Kneeland Street and Surface Artery. The vehicle had been placed on a law enforcement hotlist on July 3, 2025, due to officer safety concerns.

At approximately 3:23 AM, a suspect was observed spray-painting the steps of the Massachusetts State House. As a park ranger approached, the suspect fled on foot into the Boston Common. While running through the Common, he was observed removing the head covering and outer garments he had worn during the vandalism. Surveillance footage later confirmed the suspect exiting the Subaru Crosstrek, committing the act of vandalism, fleeing into the Common, and subsequently re-entering the vehicle. The suspect then departed the area via Storrow Drive at approximately 3:29 AM.

At approximately 6:30 AM, Massachusetts State Police Trooper Ali Jaafar, assigned to the Anti-Terrorism Unit (ATU), was notified of the incident by the Commonwealth Fusion Center (CFC) and responded to the scene. Upon arrival, Tpr. Jaafar observed the white paint footprints believed to have been left by the suspect while fleeing. He followed the trail through the Boston Common and located two suspicious objects. Based on his training and experience, Tpr. Jaafar believed them to be homemade improvised explosive devices (IEDs) constructed from toilet paper roll cores with attached fuses and configured to hold unknown internal materials.

Boston Police Explosive Ordnance Unit (EOU) officers responded at approximately 7:00 AM to a report of suspicious devices on the Boston Common, directly across from the Massachusetts State House (BPD #252059842). The area was already under heightened scrutiny due to an ongoing Boston Police investigation into DAMPL-related extremist activity.

appears to be dog feces collection bags. In addition, an open source check of the associated IP address (2607:fb91:2d2c:4949:80b3:2264:4a58:b58a), an EDR to T-Mobile (which revealed the phone number (720-737-7129)), the Commonwealth Fusion Center was able to indicate that the phone number is associated to Jermaiah Sawaqed (DOB 4/13/00) according to checks conducted on Accurint, TLO, Whooster and CrimeTracer.

On Tuesday, August 5th, 2025, at approximately 11:30 AM, FBI Boston JTTF TFOs conducted a spot check at 101 Mill Road in Everett for the subject vehicle. Investigators observed the black Subaru Crosstrek bearing Massachusetts registration 5GCS94 parked in spot #292 on level 4.5. In plain view in the rear seat area, investigators observed posters labeled "DAMPL." Additionally, in the open trunk area, also in plain view, investigators observed two 1-gallon red gasoline canisters, a sandal with white paint drops on it, and a pyrotechnic device with a fuse wick resembling a stick of dynamite/flare. The observed device appears to be of similar design to the incendiary devices recovered on the Boston Common on July 23, 2025.

Based on this long-term and multi-agency investigation, it is believed by investigators that Jermaiah Sawaqed (DOB 4/13/00) is responsible for the vandalism to the George Washington statue on 6/14/25 as well as the vandalism to the Massachusetts State House on 7/23/25. Additionally, investigators believe that Mr. Sawaqed was in possession of homemade incendiary devices (possibly modified/altered flares/fireworks) that were left in the Boston Common on 7/23/25 – in an area completely open to the public and frequented by pedestrian commuters, tourists, families and children.

Detective Rooney will visit Boston Municipal Court and petition that an arrest warrant be granted/issued on behalf of Mr. Jermaiah Sawaqed (DOB 4/13/00) for the following charges:

Malicious Destruction of Property (MGL c266s126A) – 6/14/25.

Possession of Hoax Explosive, Device, or WMD (MGL c266 s102(b)) – 7/23/25.

Partner investigators from the MSP will be seeking their own charges for the 7/23/25 MA State House vandalism, as well as additional charges stemming from a separate aspect of this investigation.

INVOLVED PERSONS

INVOLVED PERSON-1 NAME (LAST, FIRST MIDDLE)

P-1 Sawaqed, Jermaiah Yusuf

DOB / ESTIMATED AGE RANGE

2000-04-13

