UAP arrested for disorderly conduct

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Rodriguez said he was taken to the Cambridge Police Station. He was released around 2 am on a $20 bail.

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In the hour before the end of the party, the Campus Police officers broke up four fights, and the situation for the police was "very tense," Olivieri noted. Many people refused to leave the alley after the party had ended. In this atmosphere, Fratto may have misread Rodriguez' actions. "Fratto came upon the scene a little after the exchange between O'Regan and Laffont."

"I know Manuel had no malicious intent, but you just cannot put your hands on a police officer," Olivieri said. Rodriguez also refused to move away from the alley. He may not have understood the difficulty the police were experiencing in dispersing the crowd, Olivieri said.

Nevertheless, Olivieri said he is still investigating the general conduct of the Campus Police officers at the end of the party and the events leading to Rodriguez' arrest. "I'm questioning whether my officers exerted enough patience or whether they were a little jumpy because of all the tension and fighting," Olivieri said.

Rodriguez did not think Fratto's actions were representative of all the Campus Police. "Of the Campus Police, most of them really try to do a good job. Most of the officers are very nice," Laffont said he and O'Regan apologized to each other shortly after the incident.

"There was nothing wrong with the first CP [O'Regan]," Rodriguez said. "His apology showed that he is a positive part of the community."

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