Two Arrested for Assault With Dangerous Weapon
Pair Possessed Water Pistol, Police Say

by Brian Rosenberg

Officer broadcast a description of the pair, and they were arrested within a few minutes near the Albany Street Parking Garage. The students later positively identified the suspects.

Chief of Campus Police Anne P. Glavin refused to name the students involved.

She said that despite the suspects' possession of only a water pistol, Campus Police will still bring charges to court. "This could have been an assault situation," she said. "The students were put in fear, and we're going to try and get the best charge we can. [The charges] may not hold up in court, but that's not unusual," she added.

Pre-trial conferences for the suspects will be held later this week, Glavin said.

Kristopher McGovern of 16 Market St. and an unidentified juvenile were arrested by Campus Police on charges of assault by means of a dangerous weapon and trespassing around 1:15 a.m. on Sunday.

Campus Police reported that when arrested, the two possessed only a blue plastic water pistol.

Three MIT students encountered the pair while walking on Vassar Street near Building 39, according to a Campus Police bulletin. One of the two suspects, who appeared to be holding a gun, turned toward the students and yelled obscenities at them, the report continued.

The students walked on and encountered a patrolling Campus Police officer near Building 9.

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