



TAG

Threat Assessment Group

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PRESS RELEASE

On 01/09/19 Investigators with the Garfield County Sheriff's Office Threat Assessment Group (TAG) were contacted by the Denver Police Department Fugitive Unit to alert law enforcement to a fugitive in the Garfield County area. According to the information provided by Denver Police Department, Manuel Ocampo 29 years of age, was currently wanted by Denver Police Department for a 2013 Homicide Investigation. Additionally, Ocampo had active warrants out of the Denver, CO area. Ocampo was currently wanted by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office for failure to appear, original charge of dangerous drugs, bond of \$30,000.00, Adam's County Sheriff's Office for failure to appear, original charge of vehicular eluding, bond of \$3,000.00.

TAG Investigators initiated a fugitive apprehension operation as members of the Colorado Violent Offender Task Force. TAG Investigators used information provided by the Denver Police Department and received information and cooperation from a local business and were able to verify that Ocampo was currently in the Garfield County area. Investigators located where Ocampo was living and observed him outside his apartment. Investigators applied for and obtained a search warrant for Ocampo's apartment and due to the nature of the offenses that he was wanted for, utilized the Garfield County All-Hazards Response Team (AHRT) for the service of the search warrant.

On 01/10/19 at approximately 1620 Hours, the search warrant was executed on Ocampo's apartment. Ocampo was located in the apartment and taken into custody without incident. Investigator's processed his apartment pursuant to the search warrant and located distribution quantities of suspected methamphetamine (approximately 500 grams-over 1 pound), suspected heroin (approximately 24 grams), a handgun, drug distribution equipment, drug paraphernalia, suspected fraudulent government documents. Ocampo was transported and booked into the Garfield County Jail.

Manuel Ocampo-29 years of age
Address: 310 W 3rd Street #3, Rifle, CO



Charges: In addition to the above-mentioned warrants out of the Denver, CO, Ocampo is facing charges out of Garfield County for: Possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine and heroin-special offender circumstances, Possession of methamphetamine, Possession of Heroin, Forgery (possession of forged documents), Weapons Possession by a Previous Offender

The investigation was made possible by a cooperative effort of the members of the Colorado Violent Offender Task Force. The Colorado Violent Offender Task Force is made up of Federal, State, and local law enforcement partners that specializes in fugitive apprehension. It is comprised of agents, officers, and deputies from the United States Marshals Service, Drug Enforcement Administration, Homeland Security Investigations, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, Bureau of Land Management, Colorado Bureau of Investigation, TAG Investigators with the Garfield County Sheriff's Office, Mesa County Sheriff's Office, Delta County Sheriff's Office, and the Rifle Police Department.

TAG is a multi-jurisdictional task force made up of local, State, and Federal law enforcement partners throughout the Roaring Fork Valley, focusing on criminal gang members and other threats to the local community.

Any questions please contact, Sheriff Lou Vallario at (970) 945-0453.