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## **Public Information Release**

June 14, 2012 Case #12-5612

## **STABBING**

On June 14, 2012, at about 6:00 p.m., Meriden Police were dispatched to the corner of Twiss St. and Miller St. for the report of a male who had been stabbed inside a vehicle.

Upon arrival, officers found Anthony Lyons (44) with a serious stab wound to his leg. He was immediately transported Midstate Medical Center where he was stabilized and brought into surgery.

The suspect has been identified as Lyons's girlfriend, Tabatha Cornell (42, of 1966 N. Broad St., Meriden, CT). She initially fled from the scene, but later turned herself in after speaking with a detective on the phone. She was subsequently interviewed and cooperated with the investigation.

Several items of evidence were recovered from the scene of the stabbing, including some clothing. The vehicle occupied by Lyons was impounded, as well.

Tabatha Cornell was charged with Assault in the First Degree and Criminal Violation of a Protective Order. She was held on a \$250,000 bond and given a court date of June 15.

Meriden officers from the patrol division, along with detectives from the Major Crime Unit and Criminal I.D./Evidence Unit all coordinated on this case.

[Mug shot included in e-mail.]