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Early Morning Shooting Leaves One Injured and One Under Arrest

This morning at approximately 6:24 am police officers responded to the area of Bayard Street and French Street to investigate a reported fight in progress. Upon the officer’s arrival they located several witnesses who identified Cruz Bruno-Ruiz as a suspect in a shooting which had just occurred inside the barber shop located at 210 New Street. The officers quickly apprehended Cruz Bruno-Ruiz at his vehicle parked on Bayard Street and recovered a handgun from the front seat. Once under arrest Cruz Bruno-Ruiz (29 year old male from New Brunswick) was found to be in possession of a distributable amount of cocaine and a large amount of cash.

While the officers were taking Cruz Bruno-Ruiz into custody, Gerardo Moreno (40 year old male from Piscataway) walked into Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital with a non-life threatening gunshot wound to his leg. Detectives recovered video surveillance from inside the barber shop which shows Gerardo Moreno, Cruz Bruno-Ruiz, and others, drinking together inside the barber shop just prior to the shooting.

At this time Cruz Bruno-Ruiz is charged with Attempted Murder, Unlawful Possession of a Handgun, Possession of a Handgun for an Unlawful Purpose, Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Cocaine with the Intent to Distribute, and Possession of Cocaine with the Intent to Distribute in a School Zone. Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Drew Weiss at (732) 745-5217.

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