

Key West Police Department

Case 26000528

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Status	Approved
Report Type	Patrol
Primary Officer	Tanika Storey
Investigator	None
Reported At	02/03/26 12:41
Incident Date	02/03/26 12:41
Incident Code	S36B : Battery
Location	2900 N ROOSEVELT BLVD, KEY WEST, FL 33040 (KEY PLAZA)
Zone	Zone 3
Beat	B5
Disposition	4. Cleared as Arrest
Disposition Date/Time	02/03/26 13:37
Review for Gang Activity	None

Offense Information

Offense RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O VIOLENCE
Statute 843.02
NIBRS Code 90Z - All Other Offenses
Counts 1
Offense Details Completed
Date 2/3/26
Include In NIBRS Yes
Completed Yes
Bias Motivation None (no bias)
Location Parking/Drop Lot/Garage
Entry Forced No

Arrestee

MORALES, ELIJAH DEMARCO

Male, DOB 6/14/03

1176 SHIBUMY CIR

WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33415

843.02 - RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O
VIOLENCE - Completed

Other

ARTHUR, EZECHIAS

Male, DOB 8/22/85

1241 NE 37TH AVE

HOMESTEAD, FL 33033

(305) 878-8735 Home

(786) 301-5110 Cell

Other: 843.02 - RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O
VIOLENCE - Completed

DANIELIDES, DEMETRIA N

Female, DOB 8/27/62
1200 4TH ST APT 146
KEY WEST, FL 33040
(412) 414-1160 Home

Other: 843.02 - RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O
VIOLENCE - Completed

TONY, ALFRED CLINTON

Male, DOB 12/9/70
RT 2 BOX 125
FAYETTEVILLE, WV 25840
(727) 273-6147 Home

Other: 843.02 - RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O
VIOLENCE - Completed

Unspecified

TAYLOR, JAMES M

Not Specified, DOB 7/10/81
140 PARISH RD
MARTIN, TN 38237

Original Narrative By Tanika Storey, 02/03/26 15:25

On February 3, 2026, at approximately 1247 hours Ofc. Bozzetti and I (Ofc. Storey) responded to a battery call at Key Plaza (2900 North Roosevelt Blvd, Key West, FL) at the blood drive bus located at the back of the parking lot near the old K mart.

Upon arrival, Ramond Jon and Brian Fields approached Ofc. Bozzetti and I stating they were in the parking lot when they noticed two males wrestling outside of the blood drive bus. They stated a male in all black was having a confrontation with a male nurse, later identified as Ezechias Authur. Ofc. Bozzetti and I met Authur who is the nursing supervisor working on the blood donating bus. Authur stated a male, later identified as Elijah Morales, walked inside and said he needed help, Authur told him he would be right with him as they were very busy and there was a long line of people wanting to donate blood. Authur stated that Morales then opened the door, came inside the bus and ripped his lanyard with his nursing identification from his neck. Authur stated they wrestled a bit and he was able to get his lanyard back. Authur stated he then came back a second time and attempted to take medical supplies from inside the bus. Authur stated he did not want to press charges on Morales, but he did not want him back in the bus as they are extremely busy today.

Once Ofc. Bozzetti and I finished talking with Authur and we walked over to Ofc. Agleev. Ofc. Agleev had made contact with Morales prior to our arrival.

Ofc. Agleev was asking Morales what happened and if he was okay. Morales was very antsy and could not stay still. Morales was not answering Ofc. Agleev and kept pacing. While attempting to talk to Morales to see if he was okay, he kept putting his hands in his pocket and he would not listen to basic lawful commands of simply keeping his hands out of his pockets. Morales was acting very skittish and suspicious during this encounter. Ofc. Agleev removed a pair of pliers out of Morales' back pocket during our encounter as he continued to place his hands in his pockets. Ofc. Agleev told Morales that he was going to detain him and put him in handcuffs for his own safety and officer safety. Morales began to pull away and actively resist. Ofc. Agleev, Ofc. Bozzetti and I attempted to handcuff Morales; he continued to resist and pull away. Ofc. Agleev then redirected Morales to the ground where we were able to gain control of Morales' hands and got him fully handcuffed. While on the ground, Morales continued to thrash and resist. Morales was yelling at us to get off of him and told us we had no authority over him.

Ofc. Agleev and I were able to get Morales into a sitting position. Ofc. Beeman and Ofc. Fasulo arrived on scene. Ofc. Beeman asked Morales if he was on any medication or took any substances today, to which he continues to state, "I

don't remember". When I asked Morales for his phone number, he said he did not have one. When I pointed out that his phone was right next time, he stated he forgot he had a phone and did not know the number.

I asked Morales if he was hurt or injured, he stated no. Due to Morales continuing to say he "doesn't know" or he "doesn't remember" to any questions he was asked, we called for rescue anyways just to clear him. KWFD: R3 - OCA KWFD202600586 arrived on scene at 1307 hours. Rescue stated he was visibly okay. It should be noted that Morales refused to answer any questions Rescue asked him.

I searched Morales incident to arrest and placed him in the back of my patrol vehicle. Ofc. Bozzetti and I transported Benjamin to Monroe County Detention Center.

Morales was turned over to Monroe County Deputies for processing.

Based on the facts and evidence:

Elijah Morales resisted officers on scene by tensing both arms and actively pulling away when being placed in handcuffs contrary to **F.S.S 843.02 – Resisting without violence**. At the time, I (Ofc. Storey) was engaged in a lawful execution as I was investigating a Robbery by Sudden Snatching. It should be noted, all officers on scene were wearing their department issued Class B uniforms, which contains Key West Police insignias on both sleeves of the shirt.

Supplemental Narrative By Denis Agleev, 02/03/26 14:23

On February 3, 2026, at approximately 1230 hours I, Officer Agleev, responded to 2900 North Roosevelt Boulevard (Key Plaza), reference a possible robbery.

Dispatch advised, a Hispanic male wearing all black clothes and a black ballcap attempted to get inside the Big Red Bus (collecting blood donations) and steal some items. After the altercation the suspect went inside a U-Haul truck parked nearby.

Upon arrival I observed a U-Haul truck parked next to the Big Red Bus. I positioned my patrol vehicle by the U-Haul truck with my emergency lights activated. I approached the truck and saw two white males inside, none of them matched the description of the suspect. While I was talking to the driver of the U-Haul truck, I noticed a Hispanic male matching the suspect description (wearing black clothes and a black ballcap) walking toward me from the back of the truck. The male was later identified as Elijah Morales (DOB 6/14/03, Arrestee).

I asked Morales if he was involved in an incident with the Big Red Bus. Morales ignored my questions and kept looking at the truck driver. I instructed Morales multiple times to keep his hands out of his pockets and walk with me to the rear of the truck to have a conversation away from other truck occupants. Morales consistently ignored my verbal commands.

Officer G. Bozzetti and T. Storey arrived on scene. Officer Storey advised me, Morales had some sort of tool in the rear pocket of his pants. I reached out and removed metal pliers from Morales' pocket (it was later determined, the pliers belonged to the truck driver and returned to him). Morales was wearing a baggy motorcycle jacket, and I did not know if he had any weapons on his person. Due to Morales' suspicious behavior (attempts to walk away from me, ignoring my verbal commands, possession of metal tool on his person) and for my own safety I decided to place him in cuffs while we continued our investigation.

When I advised Morales, he would be temporarily detained and placed in cuffs, he started actively pulling away from Officer Storey and me. While doing so, he also started jumping away

dragging us behind him. Morales was able to free one of his arms and started swinging it in my direction. At that point I grabbed Morales with both my arms over his shoulder and behind his back, pulled him towards me, twisted him sideways, and redirected him to the ground. While on the ground, Morales continued pulling away his arms and ignoring our verbal commands to stop resisting. Eventually Officer Storey, Officer Bozzetti and I were able to direct both Morales' hands behind his back and cuff him.

It should be noted, during the encounter we were in KWPD class B uniform, easily identified as police officers. The incident took place in front of my KWPD marked police vehicle.

After Morales calmed down, we placed him in a seated position.

Morales subsequently was arrested and transported to the Monroe County Detention Center (see Officer Storey's Arrest Affidavit).

My BWC was activated during the encounter and uploaded to Axon Evidence.