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NEWS RELEASE

Man Steals Bus with Elderly Inside

07/ 19/ 2023

Date: 07-13-2023 **Time:** 4:21 pm

Location: 750 Sunland Park

Arrested: 37-year-old Danny Salas, resident of Sunland Park, NM

Charge #1: Unlawful Restraint: Exposure to Serious Bodily Injury

Judge: R. Nunez Bond: \$50,000

Charge #2: Robbery

Judge: T. Aun **Bond:** \$100,000

Victim: 76-year-old Female resident of west El Paso, TX

El Paso, Texas— On July 13th at about 4:21 PM, officers were dispatched to 750 Sunland Park (Sunland Park Mall) for a kidnapping in progress. While responding, officers learned a male subject had taken a 2016 Ford E-450 bus with a female passenger inside. People began calling in a bus driving on the wrong side of the street and almost hitting other vehicles. While checking the area, officers located the bus being driven by Salas. Officers were able to stop the bus at a DK convenience store on N. Mesa and Brentwood. Salas was taken into custody without incident. The woman inside the bus was taken to a local hospital to ensure she was unharmed. Investigators later learned Salas was at the Project Amistad bus stop at Sunland Park Mall when he approached the bus driver asking him for a ride. When the driver refused to give Salas a ride, he pushed him aside, boarded the bus, and drove away. When he was taken into custody, Salas was also wanted for a Parole Violation and traffic warrants. Salas was booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility.

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