



## LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

# NEWS RELEASE

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### Solicitation to commit Murder Arrest

On 29 September 2010, Lancaster County Prison Officials became aware of information regarding an inmate who was to have been attempting to hire someone to have someone from outside the prison killed and another person assaulted. The information was that this inmate was to have offered money to another inmate to have a 30 year old E. Hempfield Township man killed and another 23 year old E. Hempfield Township man assaulted. The inmate who was to have been attempting to solicit this killing was identified as...

Steven Michael Ingram, 19  
Currently Incarcerated in  
Lancaster County Prison

This was subsequently reported to the Lancaster City Police, who immediately interviewed witnesses in this case, which was assigned to Detective Michael Gerace. The subsequent month and a half investigation, conducted by Det. Gerace, revealed that Ingram offered to pay this other inmate \$10,000.00 to kill the 30 year old man and put the 23 year old man "in the hospital." It was also learned that Ingram not only offered money to this other inmate to commit these crimes, but also stated that he would wire the money into this inmate's account. Ingram also suggested to this other inmate the best place and time of day to commit these crimes. Both of the intended victims in this case were known to Ingram.

As a result of this investigation, on 15 Nov 10, Det. Gerace filed charges of Criminal Solicitation(to commit Homicide, F-1) and Criminal Solicitation(to commit Aggravated Assault, F-1) before Magisterial District Judge Janice Jimenez. Ingram was recommitted to the Lancaster County Prison on \$150,000. Det. Gerace worked in conjunction with Lancaster County Prison Officials, as well as Lancaster County Detective Joseph Hockley and Assistant District Attorney, Kelly Sekula during this investigation. All suspects charged with crimes are considered innocent until proven guilty in court.

\*\*\*The Lancaster Bureau of Police respectfully requests media to limit what is published in this case to that which is on this news release and to specifically refrain from publishing the names of any witnesses or victims, should they become known, so as not to jeopardize anyone in any way.\*\*\*



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