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### CHILD ABUSE ARREST

On the late evening of October 25, 2011, officers from Operations Division West responded to a local area hospital in response to a report of a child that had **severe injuries that appeared to be non-accidental in nature**. Upon arrival, officers learned that **a 4-month old baby boy had numerous fractures all over his body, with every one of his limbs having multiple breaks, in addition to other injuries**. It also appeared that the various injuries had all occurred within a short period of time. The specifics of the injuries and time frame are being withheld at this time for investigative reasons. Due to the child's age, it is too early to determine if there will be permanent or long-lasting effects as a result of the different injuries to his body.

Detectives from the Night Detective Unit as well as a caseworker from Child Protective Services responded to participate in the early stages of the investigation. Later, detectives with the Dependent Child Unit took over the investigation. They learned that the child's father, identified as **28-year old Leonard Dorame**, took care of the baby while his mother was at work. It appeared that Mr. Dorame injured the child while he was in his custody. The fractures were discovered after the baby's mother took him to a routine doctor's appointment. The doctor determined that the child was injured but was unable to tell how severe the injuries were and directed the mother to take him to a hospital for x-rays and further examination. The mother did so immediately. There was no indication that she had been previously aware of the injuries. It should be noted that there were two additional young boys, ages 2 and 4 years old, living in the apartment with the 4-month old baby and his mother. However, neither of the other children was injured, and Mr. Dorame was not their father. Also, Mr. Dorame did not live at the residence with the mother and children.

Detectives from the Tucson Police Department made efforts to locate Mr. Dorame for several weeks. However, he evaded them. Ultimately, the detectives applied for and obtained a **warrant for his arrest**. On January 9, 2012, **US Marshalls personnel** located Mr. Dorame in the 1600 Block of West El Rio. He was charged with **3 counts of Child Abuse, a Class 2 Felony** and booked into the Pima County Jail. His booking photograph is included below.

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