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CHILD ABUSE ARREST
2300 BLOCK OF NORTH CAMINO CASTILE
UPDATE – JANUARY 20, 2012

The booking photo for Justin Alber is attached below.

Justin Alber

Sgt. Matt Ronstadt – January 20, 2012

On January 18, 2012, the Tucson Police Department's Dependent Child Unit received a call from staff at a local hospital. Staff reported that there was a child in the emergency room with signs of having been physically abused. Detectives responded to the hospital to assess the victim and begin their investigation.

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Detectives determined that the **7-month old baby boy's** parents brought him to the hospital. The boy, who lives with both parents in the 2300 block of North Camino Castile, had spent the day with his father, **21-year old Justin Alber**. Afterward, his mother noticed that he was having difficulty moving his arms. During the medical examination, hospital staff discovered evidence of multiple fractures of both upper and lower extremities in various stages of healing, to include fresh fractures. In addition, testing revealed results indicative that the child had suffered soft-tissue blunt force trauma injuries.

The child remains hospitalized in stable condition and in the temporary protective custody of Child Protective Services. The child's mother will be working closely with Child Protective Services to be reunited with her son.

After continuing the investigation today, detectives charged Alber with **five counts of class four felony Child Abuse.** Alber was booked into the Pima County Adult Detention Center this evening.

A photo will be available for release tomorrow.

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