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LOCKDOWN LIFTED AT HAWAII COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL CENTER AFTER ATTEMPTED ESCAPE

HILO – The lockdown initiated at Hawaii Community Correctional Center after an overnight attempted escape has been lifted.

At approximately 2 a.m. four inmates at the Hawaii Community Correctional Center attempted to escape.

The four inmates are identified as Malaki McBride, Airiel Jost, Douglas Kamiola, and Kawaipuna Noa.

The inmates used a piece of furniture to ram a door open in their housing unit. They exited through the door and were quickly restrained outside their unit by corrections officers. They never got outside the HCCC secured perimeter. A lockdown was initiated. No injuries were reported.

“Staff immediately implemented crisis response procedures to safely end the situation and prevent the escape,” said PSD Director Nolan Espinda. “I commend the staff for their quick reaction and a job well done”.

An investigation is underway. Family visits are cancelled for the day at HCCC. They will be

rescheduled for Sunday. Hale Nani, their reintegration and work release center, is holding visits today.

HCCC is a 226-bed facility located on two sites. The primary facility is situated on three acres in downtown Hilo. HCCC's reintegration program, Hale Nani is located five miles away in Panaewa.

Pictured:

Airiel Jost (curly hair)

Kawaipuna Noa (facial hair)

Douglas Kaimiola (short dark hair)

Malakai McBride (green shirt)

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