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## KULANI CORRECTIONAL FACILITY IN HILO ON LOCKDOWN DUE TO INMATE DISTURBANCE

HILO – The Kulani Correctional Facility in Hilo is on lockdown due to inmate disturbance. The situation is under control.

At approximately 6:50 p.m. an inmate at the Kulani Correctional Facility refused to go into his dorm. Other inmates came out to see what was happening. Staff immediately implemented crisis response procedures to peacefully end the situation. The inmates were sent back to their dorms and a lockdown was initiated. All inmates are accounted for. No injuries were reported.

Hawaii Community Correctional Center, State Sheriffs and Hawaii County Police were contacted to standby for possible assistance as a precaution. The circumstances surrounding the situation are under investigation.

Kulani is a minimum security facility.

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