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MAUI COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL CENTER ON LOCKDOWN DUE TO INMATE DISTURBANCE

WAILUKU – At approximately 6:40 a.m. inmates at the Maui Community Correctional Center created a disturbance during their breakfast meal. Staff immediately implemented crisis response procedures to peacefully end the situation within a half-hour. The inmates were sent back, and returned to their cells without incident, and a lockdown was initiated. No injuries were reported. At no time was the public at risk. The cause of the disturbance is under investigation.

The module where this happened has a total double-cell capacity of 48 inmates. The current headcount in that module is 81 inmates.

"We make no secret of the fact that our facilities are overcrowded. Our correctional staff immediately went into action to de-escalate the situation, maintaining constant control despite the overcrowded conditions in that module," said Nolan Espinda, Public Safety Director. "They go through extensive crisis response training, they were prepared, and I couldn't be more proud of them for a job well done".

The Maui Community Correctional Center houses pre-trial detainees and provides reintegration programs to sentenced felons and parole violators who will be released on Maui at the end of their sentences.

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