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Three people were arrested by Wareham police early Thursday morning at the Silver Lake Motel located at # 3026 Cranberry Hwy. Wareham. Officers responded to that location after receiving a call for a disturbance in Room # 135 by the Motel clerk.

When police knocked on the door, they heard loud noises and people scurrying around inside the room. Patrol Officer Joseph Cardoza went to the rear of the building and observed several items being thrown out a window. After knocking for several minutes, police were met at the door by 19 year old William Black of 17 Camardo Dr. Wareham.

Also in the room was 18 year old Antone Gutierrez of 36 Swifts Beach Rd. Apt. # 30. and a 16 year old juvenile female. Police observed a partially open window in the bathroom. Police retrieved glassine bags lying on top of the snow within a few feet of the open window. One bag contained a white rock substance consistent with cocaine and another contained a green leafy substance consistent with marijuana.

Inside the room, police observed numerous glassine bags, multiple cell phones, and cash. All three were placed under arrest and transported to the Wareham Police station. They are charged with Trafficking in Cocaine and Possession of Marijuana with intent to Distribute.

Mr. Black and Mr. Gutierrez are currently being held at the Plymouth County House of Correction on \$10,000.00 cash bail each and are scheduled for a pretrial hearing on March 3, 2010. The juvenile was released and is scheduled for a pre-trial hearing at a later date.

On the night of their arrest, Wareham police officers were dealing with blizzard like conditions, however, this did not deter them from giving 100 percent and once again getting three dangerous felons off the streets of Wareham. Chief Stanley commended these dedicated officers for their efforts in making another major drug arrest.

Chief Stanley also noted that the Silver Lake Motel has been the scene of numerous arrests and disturbances over the past several years and the Wareham Police have been responding to that location on a regular basis.

"We will continue to keep the heat on all individuals who use these establishments as safe havens for illegal activity", stated Chief Stanley.