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Yuba City Man Sentenced to Life for Attempted Murder

(Woodland, CA) – January 12, 2012 - District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that today thirty-six year old Harjiwan Mann of Yuba City pled guilty to the attempted murder of Mohammad Bath of Yuba City and admitted that he had two prior strike convictions. His prior strikes include a robbery and resisting arrest while using a knife. As part of the plea, he agreed to serve 25 years to life in state prison pursuant to the Three Strikes Law.

On May 3, 2011, Mann stabbed Bath numerous times in the head and neck with a screwdriver. Woodland Police Department officers arrested Mann outside Woodland Memorial Hospital. During an interview with police detectives, Mann admitted that he had been thinking of stabbing Bath because he was angry with him. American Medical Response paramedics took Bath to Woodland Memorial Hospital where he was life flighted to the UCD Medical Center. Doctors at the Medical Center admitted Bath to the Neurosurgery Intensive Care Unit. He suffered permanent injuries from the attack.

Deputy District Attorney Christopher Bulkeley prosecuted the case. "This was a horrific crime committed by a man with a history of violence," said Bulkeley. "Today we got a just result without putting the victim and his family through a trial."

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