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Manufacturing Assault Weapons Arrest

DATE / TIME:	5/14/2018 at 2:00 PM	CASE #: 18-04192
LOCATION:	1700 Block of 48 th Avenue, Capitola, CA	
TYPE OF CRIME:	30605 (a) PC Possession of Assault Weapon 30600 (a) PC Manufacture Assault Weapons 182 (a) (1) PC Conspiracy	Felony Felony Misdemeanor

SUSPECT ARRESTED:

Seth H. Niles, 43-year-old Capitola resident

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

On 5/14/18 at around 2 PM, members of the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office Gang Enforcement Team served a search warrant at a residence located in the 1700 block of 48th Avenue in Capitola. Deputies found a total of 10 guns including several illegal assault weapons in the process of being built. Tools and firearm parts used to build assault weapons were also found and seized as evidence.

Seth Niles was placed under arrest for possession of assault weapons, manufacturing and distributing assault weapons, and conspiracy.

Niles was booked into the Santa Cruz County Jail and has since posted bail.

PREPARED BY:

Sergeant Brian Cleveland

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