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## News Release

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### **West Park Man Arrested After Threatening Neighbors with Knife and Gun**

**Pueblo, CO:** Pueblo County Sheriff's deputies arrested a 37-year-old man for felony menacing Tuesday afternoon after he threatened several neighbors with a knife and a gun in a West Park neighborhood. No one was injured.

Deputies responded to the 3900 block of Willow Lane on a report of possible menacing. While en route to the call, Pueblo County Sheriff Communication Officers told responding deputies the suspect threatened a woman with a knife while she sat in a car on the street and then threatened other neighbors with a gun.

When deputies arrived, they immediately spotted a man matching the description of the suspect. Deputies ordered the man to the ground. The suspect, identified as Israel Masimer, complied and was taken into custody without incident. Deputies located and took possession of the gun and knife.

Through their investigation, deputies learned that Masimer threatened to slash the tires of the woman sitting in her car. The woman said Masimer then pointed the knife at her in a threatening manner. Another witness said she went outside and Masimer pointed the knife at her before going into his home. The witnesses said Masimer returned outside with a shotgun and pointed it at neighbors before deputies arrived.

Masimer was arrested on two counts of felony menacing. He has been booked into the Pueblo County Jail.

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