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UPDATED PRESS RELEASE

On May 13th, The Crow Wing County Sheriff reported on a male who had blown his hand off with some homemade fireworks. The Crow Wing County Bomb Squad responded to process the scene. Upon arrival at the scene, members of the bomb squad located several known and unknown chemicals which are consistent with making explosives, such as flash powders and tannerite.

The bomb team took the unknown chemicals and destroyed them onsite by igniting them. Evidence at the scene indicates that the injured victim, James Cummings, was attempting to manufacture homemade exploding targets when the accident occurred. It appears that this type of activity was going on for some time at this residence. There is no indication that there was any criminal intent by the victim.

Deputies will be forwarding reports to the Crow Wing County Attorney for possible charges related to this incident.