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**TO: ALL MEDIA OUTLETS**

**FROM: Lt. Brannon Jordan**

**Date: 01-26-2013**

**RE: Explosive Device**

On 01-26-2013 at about 1621 hours, a concerned citizen contacted the Latah County Sheriff's Dispatch at the service window. The citizen reported they had found a possible explosive device on Paradise Ridge Road, Moscow. The citizen stated he saw the device on the side of the road while driving by and stopped to investigate. The citizen placed the device in his vehicle and brought it to the Sheriff's Office.

The device was a cardboard tube about 6 inches long and one inch in diameter, wrapped with electrical tape. It had what appeared to be a fuse inserted in one end. The device was on the passenger floorboard in his vehicle, parked in the courthouse parking lot.

The area around the courthouse was cleared and surrounding streets were blocked. The Spokane Bomb Squad was notified and they arrived at 2025 hours. The Bomb Squad removed the device from the vehicle and used a small explosive to destroy it. The device was filled with an explosive material, gunpowder.

The streets in the area around the courthouse were opened for traffic at about 2130 hours.

The incident is under investigation.