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News Release

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office reports that on October 10, 2020, an O'Brien County Deputy located a vehicle that he knew was associated with two subjects that had active arrest warrants.

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office set up a surveillance operation and was assisted by officers from the Iowa Great Lakes Task Force, Osceola county Sheriff's Office, and the Iowa State Patrol.

Arrested in the suspect's vehicle was 24-year-old, Bradley Tyler Kots, of Sutherland Iowa. Kots was arrested for an outstanding warrant out of Cherokee County Iowa for Theft 1st Degree (Vehicle Theft) and Operating Without Owners Consent.

Arrested in the Holiday Inn Express motel room was 33-year-old Ashley Elaine Call of Spencer Iowa. Call was arrested for outstanding warrants from Clay County Iowa for Probation Violations.

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office obtained two search warrants one for the motel room at the Holiday Inn Express and one for the suspect vehicle. The warrant of the motel room resulted in a seizure of over 32 grams of methamphetamine, marijuana, drug paraphernalia, and cash. The vehicle search resulted in seizure of drug paraphernalia and clothing.

Kots' arrest warrant out of Cherokee County was for motor vehicle theft/1st degree theft. Kots is suspected in numerous vehicle thefts that occurred in northwest Iowa. The many vehicle thefts are still under investigation and criminal charges are pending the outcome of these investigations.

Criminal defendants are presumed innocent unless they are proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.