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FBI Makes Arrest in Athens Swatting Cases

Between the months of August 2015 and December 2015, the Athens-Clarke County Police Department investigated 8 separate incidents of “swatting” that occurred at schools within the county. In the midst of these incidents, Chief Freeman requested the assistance of the FBI and through a joint investigation, the FBI made an arrest. The suspect in this case was arrested in Israel and is a 19-year-old male with joint citizenship in both the United States and Israel. During the search of the suspect’s residence, physical evidence was recovered tying the suspect to the Athens’ incidents. The ACCPD worked closely with the FBI on these incidents and warrants are being signed by the FBI.

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