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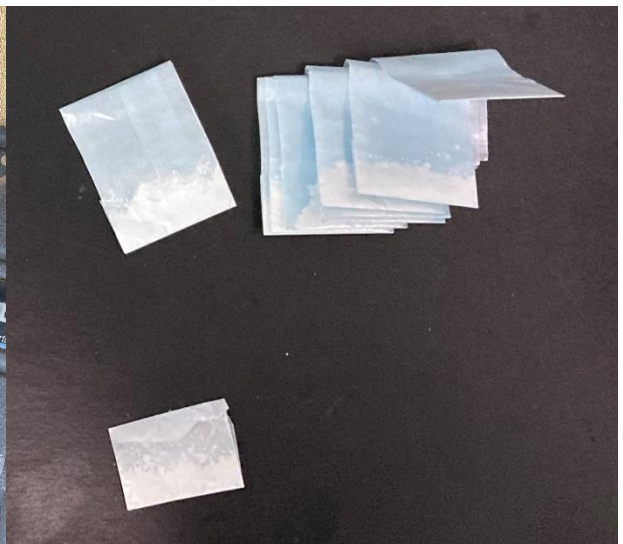
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FIREARM/NARCOTICS ARREST

On 07/29/2023 at approximately 4:50 PM, a Village of Mamaroneck Bicycle Officer was conducting traffic enforcement in the 300 block of Mamaroneck Avenue.

The Bicycle Officer witnessed a motorist make a prohibited left turn and conducted a traffic stop. A VMPD K-9 Officer observed the traffic stop and responded to provide assistance. Based upon an interview of the driver, the K-9 Officer retrieved his partner Ike to conduct an exterior "sniff" of the vehicle for narcotics. Ike subsequently indicated for the presence of narcotics. Officers conducted a search of the vehicle and recovered a loaded .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun and several individually packaged envelopes of narcotics.

The driver/defendant, Anthony Mrijaj, a 26-year-old male from Scarsdale, NY, was charged with Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree (C Felony), Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree (D Felony), as the handgun contained 10 rounds of ammunition, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance (A Misdemeanor), and Criminal Contempt 2nd Degree, as the defendant was barred from possessing a firearm as a stipulation of an unrelated Order of Protection. The defendant was arraigned in Village of Mamaroneck Court and bail was set at \$5,000. Due to the defendant being unable to arrange bail, he was transported to Westchester County Jail pending his next court appearance.



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