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Richmond, Virginia – On January 27 during a standard search of items of a newly incarcerated individual identified as Mr. Magdi Abdalla, a deputy discovered a suspicious substance in Mr. Abdalla's clothing. Upon further inspection, the deputy found a plastic bag containing individually wrapped chunks of items which had the scent of marijuana.

The clothing was confiscated as evidence and Mr. Abdalla was charged with one count each of Possession of a Drug by a Prisoner (Code #53.1-203), Possession with Intent to Distribute (Code #18.2-248.1), and Possession of Marijuana-First Offense (Code #18.2-250.1). All seized items suspected of being a controlled/illegal substance have been submitted to the state lab for proper analysis.

The Richmond City Sheriff's Office is responsible for maintaining a secure jail and a safe court system, along with seamless inmate transport and civil process to preserve public safety. We remain committed to performing these duties with unsurpassed integrity and professionalism, with progressive training that incorporates best practices and technology. While partnering with the community, we strive to lower recidivism by providing faith-based and community-based programming that empowers ex-offenders to become productive members of society.