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BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

PRESS RELEASE

February 5th, 2021

The Broome County Sheriff's Office Detective Division has arrested 48-year-old Harold M. Cole, an inmate at the Broome County Sheriff's Correctional Facility. During his incarceration for Kidnapping, Cole was charged with violating an Order of Protection that originated from that case. After Cole violated the Order of Protection, detectives continued to monitor his activity. As result of a three-month investigation, Cole is being accused of hiring another person to commit multiple kidnappings and murders. Cole is being charged with two (2) counts of Conspiracy in the Second Degree, Class B Felonies and two (2) counts of Conspiracy in the Fourth Degree, Class E Felonies.

Cole was processed for arrest on his charges and remains in the custody of the Broome County Sheriff's Correctional Facility.

The Detective Division was assisted by the Broome County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division, The Southern Tier Crime Analysis Center and the Broome County District Attorney's Office.

Arrest Date: February 4th, 2021

Charges: Two (2) counts of Conspiracy in the Second Degree, Class B Felonies
Two (2) counts of Conspiracy in the Fourth Degree, Class E Felonies

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