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BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PRESS RELEASE July 29th, 2021

The Broome County Sheriff's Office Detective Division has arrested Russell Vitanza, a 66-year-old male, from the Town of Binghamton. On July 22nd, 2021 Broome County Sheriff's Office Detectives executed a search warrant at Vitanza's Town of Binghamton residence. During the execution of the search warrant, multiple long guns, high capacity magazines, one handgun and various types of ammunition were secured as evidence. As result of this investigation Vitanza was charged with one (1) count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, three (3) counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree and one (1) count of Criminal Contempt in the 2nd Degree.

Vitanza was processed for arrest and remanded to the custody of the Broome County Sheriff's Correctional Facility by the CAP Court. Vitanza has since been released on bail.

Date of Crimes: July 22nd, 2021 Date of Arrest: July 22nd, 2021

Charges: One count Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd, Degree Class C Felony Three counts Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd, Degree Class D Felonies One count Criminal Contempt in the 2nd, Degree Class A Misdemeanor

The Sheriff's Office was assisted by members of the Broome County Special Investigations Unit Task Force.