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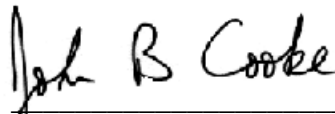
**JOHN B. COOKE**  
SHERIFF

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – July 13, 2008**

### ***HOMICIDE SUSPECT ARRESTED***

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Weld County Investigators followed leads in the investigation of the death of an adult male east of Platteville late Saturday leading to the arrest of Norberto Abundez, age 42 from Ft Lupton. The suspect was arrested at approximately 11:00pm at the residence of a relative in Adams County with the assistance of Adams County Sheriff's Office. The green van was located earlier in Ft Lupton where it had been abandoned. The weapon has not been located yet. The homicide apparently was the result of an ongoing incident over domestic issues. Abundez had been arrested in February on an assault charge against the victim and a restraining order had been issued. Abundez is currently in the Weld County Jail on charges of first degree homicide, felony menacing, possession of a firearm by a previous offender, violation of bail bond, and violation of restraining order. No bond has been set as of this time. The coroners office is working on notifying next of kin and then victims name can be released.

  
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