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Information on Bomb Threat:

At approximately 3:20 p.m., on Wednesday, Dec. 13, the University of Missouri Police Department received a call from an individual who was concerned about comments someone had made to her about the bus they were on exploding. The caller provided a description of the bus and officers located the bus at a bus stop south of the Hearnes Center. To ensure everyone's safety, riders were asked to exit the bus and an MU Alert message was sent to the campus asking people to stay away from the area. Officers directed traffic away from the area until the department's explosive K-9 officer and K-9 could arrive on the scene and check the bus for explosives. No explosives were located.

After the first MU Alert message was sent, Dante' Hopkins called MUPD and stated that he thought the bomb threat incident may have been as a result of comments he had made and it was a misunderstanding. Officers contacted Hopkins, and he was transported to MUPD where he was interviewed about the incident.

As a result of the interview and information received by the officers, Hopkins was arrested for Peace Disturbance (Revised Missouri Statute: 574.010).

Dante' Hopkins (MU Student) Date of Birth: 09/27/1997

Address: New Hall

Hopkins was released from the department on summons. Additional information is not available due to the ongoing investigation. MUPD reminds everyone that safety is our No. 1 priority and thanks the community for its help by staying away from the area.

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