

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Marshall County Murder Suspect Captured**

Sheriff Jimmy Harris states as follows:

DeKalb County Special Response Team Members, Sheriff's Investigators and Deputies joined Marshall County Sheriff's Office, Marshall County Task Force, the Marshall County District Attorney's Office, members of the Albertville Police Department, and the Marshall County Helicopter in a long and exhausting day yesterday searching the Whiton area for murder suspect Dennis Lee Smith. Early this morning, a member of the DeKalb County Task Force received a tip that the suspect was hiding out in an abandoned camper on the 5700 block of County Road 23 in Whiton, DeKalb County, approximately ½ mile from New Canaan Church. David Chandler with Marshall County Task Force was contacted. Members of the DeKalb County Special Response team and law enforcement from Marshall County surrounded the camper, and Smith was taken down without incident at approximately 8:45 a.m. An Albertville Police Department Unit transported Smith to their facility.

This is another example of a successful, safe operation being carried out when area law enforcement agencies are able to cooperate and work together. We were pleased to be able to assist Marshall County in this investigation.

