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NEWS RELEASE

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Suspicious Packages Reported at 13th & Central

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Two suspicious suitcases were reported at 3:12 p.m. this afternoon on the sidewalk near the 13th Street and Central Avenue on the east side of City Hall and a person of interest made comments about the suitcases. A suspect was taken into custody shortly thereafter.

As a precaution, the area has been blocked off and City Hall, Heartland Financial Services, and Dubuque Bank and Trust were evacuated. Prescott Elementary dismissed from the school's east entrance.

The Dubuque Police and Fire Departments are on the scene investigating the suspicious packages. Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

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