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## INFORMATION RELEASE

**Solano County Jail Module Under Quarantine**  
Solano County Sheriff's Office

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On July 28, 2009, an inmate transferred from the Solano County Jail was transported to San Quentin State Prison. Once there, the inmate complained of flu like symptoms. Based on the inmate's complaint, he was placed in quarantine at San Quentin Prison and tests are being conducted to determine if he is suffering the effects of swine flu. Test results should be available in 2-4 days. Prison officials are in contact with the Solano County Jail.

Based on the information received from San Quentin, the module that housed the inmate while in the Solano County Jail has been quarantined. This action is consistent with the jail's emergency response plan for suspected swine flu cases. The quarantine will be in effect for 7 days, unless the test results on the inmate return negative, at which time the quarantine will be lifted. Correctional Officers assigned to work at the quarantined unit will be provided with additional protective equipment including N-95 face masks and hand sanitizers. Approximately 25 inmates are currently being housed in the quarantined unit. Those inmates will continue to receive all necessary services including health care, mental health care, showers, access to limited television and supplies to sanitize their cells. Due to the quarantine, movement including visiting will be suspended for this module for a period of 7 days, or until it is determined that their movement no longer presents a health risk.

Several of the inmates quarantined had been scheduled for court appearances during the course of the period of quarantine. Presiding Superior Court Judge Ramona Garrett, the District Attorney's Office, the Public Defender's Office and several private attorneys were advised of the quarantine, and have agreed to postpone court appearances due to public safety concerns.

Updates regarding any changes in the quarantine status will be provided in a timely manner.

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