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AURORA MAN PLEADS GUILTY, GETS 15 YEARS FOR STEALING MARIJUANA AT GUNPOINT & POINTING GUN AT OFFICER

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28-year-old **Giovanni A. Padilla** of Aurora on Aug. 12, 2020, agreed to a sentence of 15 years' imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to the offenses of:

- Armed violence, Class X felony
- Aggravated assault to a peace officer, Class 4 felony

Kane County Associate Judge Alice C. Tracy accepted the plea.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorney William Engerman stated in court that the evening of Oct. 22, 2018, Padilla and two co-defendants arranged a meeting to buy marijuana from a fourth party. However, the trio went to the seller's residence in the 1100 block of North Farnsworth Avenue, Aurora, armed with handguns with the intent to rob him. Shortly after Padilla left the seller's apartment, a responding police officer gave him a command to stop. Padilla began to run but then stopped, turned and pointed a loaded .380-caliber semi-automatic handgun at the officer, putting him in fear of being shot. The officer fired at Padilla in response, injuring him in the arm. Police found 168 grams of marijuana in Padilla's coat pocket and a loaded handgun beside him. Padilla was treated at a local hospital and released.

In accordance with Illinois law, Padilla receives credit for 657 days served in the Kane County jail.

Giovanni A. Padilla: Age 28 (d.o.b. 1-22-1992), of the 300 block of Brown Court, Aurora, Illinois. Case No. 18CF2111.