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**DIVISION OF GAMING ENFORCEMENT MAKES ITS FIRST
ILLEGAL GAMBLING ARREST AT DELAWARE PARK**

Location: Delaware Park, Newark

Date of Occurrence: June 17, 2010

Suspect: Maurice A. Thomas, 25, Philadelphia, PA

A 25-year-old Philadelphia man was arrested Thursday in connection with an illegal gambling incident at a Blackjack table at Delaware Park.

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security Division of Gaming Enforcement arrested Maurice A. Thomas on four counts of placing a wager after an established wager. Thomas is accused of placing a late bet, also known as capping a bet, on four Blackjack games. During each incident, Thomas used a \$5 chip.

The illegal activity was observed by Delaware Park security through surveillance who reported the incident to the Division of Gaming Enforcement. Delaware State Police detectives assigned to the Division made the arrest.

Thomas was arraigned via Justice of the Peace Court 20 and released on \$1,000 bond unsecured for each charge. He was also evicted from Delaware Park. The money, \$50, was paid into casino bank.

Past posting incident at the blackjack table: surveillance captured D-Maurice A. Thomas placing late bets on four games (each time he used a five dollar chip). He was taken into custody w/o incident and transported to T-6 where warrants were obtained for four counts of placing a wager after an establish wager. He was arraigned via JP Ct 20 and released on \$1,000.00 unsecured each charge. He was also evicted from DP. The money (\$50.00) was paid into casino bank. Det. Savoy is investigating this incident (Comp # Z6-10-000015).