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For Immediate Release

Serval Cat Incident on Laurelwood Dr in Violet Township

(Pickerington, Ohio October 13, 2019) Sheriff Phalen advises around 14:30 hrs., Deputies from the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office responded to a complaint of a large cat (appearing to look like a bob cat) had attacked a dog.

Deputies arrived on scene and began to search for the animal. A Deputy encountered the animal in a small wood line area and stated it was about five feet away in an attack stance with focus on the Deputy. The Deputy was forced to shoot the animal for his protection and the protection of the general public.

Ohio Department of Natural Resource Officer responded and advised the animal was a Serval wild cat native to Africa. ODNR took possession of the Serval, at this time the owner is unknown.



(Sample Photo)

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