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Police Seek Help In Sexual Assault Case



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DC police are searching for a man who sexually assaulted a woman in the laundry room of an apartment in Northwest.

The attacker tried to cover a surveillance camera nearby. But what he may not have known is that another camera was secretly rolling in the ceiling.

As 9 News' Doug Buchanan reports, police want you to see that 勒 E-mail This Story video it captured (click related video to the left of this story) so Print This Story officers can capture their man.

Doug Buchanan reporting

The man who police say sexually assaulted a 29- year-old woman in the basement of her condo building just north of Dupont Circle, did so about 9:30 in the morning on Christmas Eve.

The suspect managed somehow to get in the locked front door all the while staring directly at a camera sporting a baseball hat with the word Nike on it.

From outside to inside he heads straight for the elevators and takes it down to the basement to the laundry room. That is where the suspect notices a surveillance camera for the first time.

He uses a box to cover the lens, but the other camera had already got everything that police are hoping will help lead them to their suspect.

The tape shows the 29-year-old woman in the basement hallway, on her way to wash her clothes when she is confronted by the suspect. She is thrown to the ground and the suspect, who police want to

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take off the streets sexually, assaults his victim.

He makes a quick getaway, a getaway police are hoping to cut real short.

If you know anything that might help call police at 202-727-9099.

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