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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## **APD NEWS RELEASE:**

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## Incident: Racially Motivated Assault of 63 Year Old Man

Abbotsford – April 27, 2011.

Last night at 5:45 pm a man approached a group of four Indo-Canadian men who were seated on benches in the area of Old Yale Road and Mitchell Street. The man was yelling obscenities and was making derogatory ethnic comments as he moved toward the group. He then produced a liquor bottle and struck one of the men in the face causing the victim to be knocked to the ground. The suspect fled on foot, westbound into the area of DeHavilland Drive. The assault was clearly a racially motivated act of violence and cowardice.

The Abbotsford Police Department's Major Crime Unit and Patrol Division are investigating the incident. Police believe the suspect lives in the area. We want to advise area residents and others to be aware of this unprovoked attack and to assist police in locating this individual.

The suspect is described as a Caucasian male, mid-20's, clean shaved, short dark brown hair with a thin build.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact the Abbotsford Police at 604-859-5225 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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