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PRESS RELEASE

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Tour Bus Rollover Accident

Location of Incident: Avenue 6 ½ E & County 3rd Street - Yuma, AZ

On January 8, 2015, at approximately 9:50 a.m., the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of a rollover accident in the area of Avenue 6 ½ E and County 3rd Street involving a tour bus and multiple injuries.

The initial investigation at the scene revealed that a 2007 Setra tour bus was traveling westbound on a field access road and when the driver attempted to make a left turn onto a canal bank, the bus tipped over onto the driver side. The driver of the bus, owned by Tour West America, was identified as Mr. George Wolf, 75, of Somerton, AZ.

Upon arrival of the Rural/Metro Fire Department, a triage area was set-up and immediate care of passengers began. Due to the number of injured passengers, Rural/Metro requested assistance with additional ambulance services. The Yuma Fire Department, Somerton/Cocopah Fire Department, Yuma Proving Grounds Fire Department, and Tri-Valley Ambulance all responded and assisted with transporting patients to Yuma Regional Medical Center (YRMC). The Marine Corps Air Station Yuma Search and Rescue and Careflight also responded with two helicopters each and assisted with the transport of seriously injured patients.

There were 52 passengers on board the tour bus, of which 18 were transported by ambulance and 5 by helicopter to YRMC. One patient was flown to a Phoenix area hospital directly from the scene.

The case remains under investigation. Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.



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