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OFF-DUTY POLICE OFFICER INJURED
** UPDATE **

On May 27, 2004, at approximately 10:45 p.m., an off-duty Windsor Locks Police Officer was injured as he attempted to prevent a suspected drunk driver from re-entering the road from a restaurant parking lot.

The off-duty police officer parked his private vehicle in the restaurant parking lot. The officer identified himself as a police officer as he attempted to approach the suspected drunk driver.

The Windsor Locks Police Officer was transported to Hartford Hospital's Emergency Room where he was treated and released.

The Connecticut State Police Central District Major Crime Squad initiated a criminal investigation into this incident.

State Police are asking anyone who may have been in the area of the restaurant and observed anything to contact Troop "H" in Hartford at (860) 534-1000. All calls will be kept in the strictest confidence.

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