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Airport explosive sniffing dogs pass evaluation

(Anchorage, November 29, 2004) Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport (ANC) Police Canine Unit has recently passed its annual evaluation. The certification requires evaluators from the Transportation Security Administration National Explosives Canine Team to test the Unit at its home airport environment. Airport Police have three Canine Units and have been certified for ANC for two years.

Airport police have three explosives sniffing dogs. Rick and Dasty have been with the department since 2002. Goro, the department's third dog, was added in July of this year.

The Canine Unit relies on the cooperation of the many tenants of the airport to assist in providing aircraft, cargo facilities, and vehicles for training. Federal Express, Conoco Phillips Alaska, Inc., and the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Equipment Fleet were integral to the successful completion of the annual evaluation.

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