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On April 19, 2018 about 3:00 AM in Brgy. Sto. Nino, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro, the suspect identified as Roberto Canete Escopete, 46 years old, married, cock handler, and a resident of Brgy. Malisbong, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro was arrested while having a drinking spree together with some of his friends at Sanchez Boarding house when he drew a caliber .45 pistol from his waist then put it on the table. Consequently, an intelligence operative from the AFP saw the incident and managed to call and requested SPO1 Avelino G Tendido Jr., intel operative of Sablayan MPS to respond and validate the said information. Afterwards, SPO1 Avelino G Tendido Jr. arrived at the aforesaid place and saw the suspect holding the said pistol which prompted him to identify himself as Police Officer and arrested the suspect.

Recovered from the possession of the suspect was one unit caliber .45 pistol with inserted magazine containing two rounds of live ammunition. The suspect was brought to Sablayan MPS for proper disposition