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Shreveport Fire and BAFB Dispose of Suspicious Device

On Tuesday, February 4, 2025 members of the Shreveport Fire Department Bomb Squad responded to a report of a possible hand grenade found by a concerned citizen. The object was found while attempting to clean a storage building.

Bomb Technicians analyzed the item and determined that it was, in fact, a World War II era hand grenade. Shreveport Fire Bomb Technicians contacted EOD from Barksdale Air Force Base to respond to the scene for assistance and removal of the device. The grenade was rendered safe at an off-site location under the supervision of SFD Bomb Squad and BAFB EOD. It is unknown at this time how long the device had been stored or where it originated from. There is no current threat to public safety. The Shreveport Fire Department would like to thank Shreveport Police, DART, and personnel from BAFB EOD for their assistance in this matter.

This circumstance serves as a great reminder for all to remain vigilant and report any suspicious items to the proper authorities. The safest course of action is to avoid touching or attempting to move these items. Remember: If you see something, say something.

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