

# Jail Disturbance Ended in Stockton

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Order was restored at San Joaquin county jail early yesterday after 75 inmates held control of the maximum security cellblock for seven hours, burning dozens of mattresses and smashing 50 windows and six television sets.

At 3 a.m., Sheriff Michael N. Canlis walked into the cellblock alone to negotiate with the inmates, most of whom are still awaiting sentence.

Canlis said the inmate ring-leaders "agreed to calm down" if they could list their demands to local news reporters.

The inmates, a mixture of white and minority group members among 251 at the

facility, called for a federal grand jury investigation of jail conditions, lower bail better help from the public defender and a drug rehabilitation program.

They also complained that the jail is overcrowded and lacks ventilation and proper air conditioning.

Deputies said all the inmates had been out of their cells either visiting, watching TV or buying items from the prison-run store when the disturbance broke out shortly after 8 p.m., Sunday.

Six inmates were injured, none seriously, during the rampage, officers said.

Deputies who entered the cellblock after the sheriff said that order was restored and there would be no lock-up.

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