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JURY RETURNS GUILTY VERDICTS IN RESTAURANT SHOOTING

A Denver jury deliberated a little more than four hours today before returning guilty verdicts in the trial of a man accused of trying to rob a Vietnamese restaurant and its patrons in November 2007.

Phuong Van Dang (dob: 08-31-81) was found guilty of two counts of attempted first-degree assault (F4), two counts of attempted second-degree assault (F5), 13 counts of menacing (F5), 11 counts of attempted aggravated robbery (F4), attempted theft of more than \$20,000 (F4), reckless endangerment (M) and disorderly conduct with a deadly weapon (M2).

Dang entered a busy restaurant at lunchtime on November 14, 2007 with a loaded shotgun. He was shot and wounded by Denver detectives who happened to be eating lunch at the time.

Dang remains in custody and faces charges as a habitual criminal. If convicted as a habitual criminal, he could face more than 200 years in prison. A status hearing is set for this Friday, December 12, 2008. A sentencing date is expected to be determined at that time.