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| **Who:** |
| Antonio Balu, a 25-year-old man, was stopped by officers from the West Midlands Police. The officers were part of the Guardian Taskforce, a specialized unit focused on tackling serious youth violence. |

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| **What:** |
| Balu was riding an e-bike when police found a loaded pistol with three rounds of ammunition in his backpack. He claimed to have just found the bag and bike, but CCTV evidence proved otherwise. |

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| **Where:** |
| The incident occurred on Soho Road in Birmingham, England, a busy urban area known for its diverse community and activity. |

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| **When:** |
| The arrest took place on August 13, 2024, and Balu was sentenced on November 20, 2024, to five years in prison. |

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| **Why:** |
| Officers stopped Balu after suspecting him due to unusual behavior, such as wearing a hoodie in 25 °C heat. This proactive action led to the removal of a deadly weapon from the streets, enhancing public safety and preventing potential harm. |