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# VISALIA POLICE 303 S. JOHNSON VISALIA, CA 93291 PRESS RELEASE

Crime or Accident No. 11-10599 Date and Time Occurred: 07/21/11 1100-1145

hours

Type of Incident: Commercial Location: Mooney/Walnut

Burglary Arrests Mooney/Packwood

Age

Victim or Party: Kohl's/Toys R Us City: Visalia

Victim or Party: Famous Footware City:

Victim or Party: #1 Sports Fan City:

Age: Arrested:

24 Yes City: Visalia Suspect: Donald Franklin City: Lemoore Suspect: Romero, Vanessa 19 Yes Suspect: Rodriguez, Christina City: Hanford 30 Yes Suspect: Contreras, Crystal 22 City: Tulare Yes

Details: On 07/21/11, approx 1100 hours, detectives with the Property Crimes Unit started to conduct surveillance in the parking lot of Kohl's related to several customers that were involved in the theft of retail merchandise. After obtaining additional information with loss prevention a traffic stop was conducted in the 1400 block of South Central and all of the occupants attempted to flee on foot. Suspects Romero, Rodriguez, and Contreras were arrested without incident and Donald Franklin attempted to avoid arrest by jumping over several nearby fences causing injury on a rolled barbwire fence. Franklin was later transported via ambulance to KDDH for treatment and all suspects were later booked on a variety of charges including burglary, conspiracy, resisting arrest, and misc drug charges. Recovered property led to the discovery of additional burglaries from Famous Footware, Toys R Us, and #1 Sports Fan. The driver of the vehicle successfully avoided capture on foot and since has been identified and additional follow-up will be completed related to his pending arrest.

Arresting Officer(s): N/A Injuries: N/A

Investigating Officer(s): Property Crimes

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Property Stolen or Recovered: Clothing, shoes, electronic equipment, toys. Date and Time Released: 07/21/11/1645 hours

**Supervisor: Sgt Alvarez** 

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