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VPD Report Number: 14-00533

Type of Incident: Annoying / Molesting Child / Child Exploitation

Date/Time Occurred: March 13th, 2014 Location: 3100 Block E. Duran

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Villarreal, Isreal Alberto	49	Yes

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Details: During the month of December, 2013, Detectives from the Violent Crimes Unit began an investigation into allegations that Israel Villarreal had engaged in inappropriate sexual conduct with a 10 year old boy over a live video chat phone several months earlier. With assistance from the Central California Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the Greensboro, North Carolina Police Department, the child victim was contacted and the allegations were confirmed. With the help of the Central California ICAC Task Force and the Tulare County District Attorney's Office a search warrant was served at the suspects residence on 3-13-14. Isreal Villarreal was subsequently arrested for charges related to child sexual exploitation and booked at the Tulare County Main Jail. The Visalia Police Department Violent Crimes Unit believes there may be more victims and urges anyone with information to contact Det. Chris Jennings at 713-4727.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Det. Jennings

Supervisor: Sgt. Byerlee

