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NEWS RELEASE

March 19, 2013

VPD Report Number: 13-03098

Date/Time Occurred: 3/14/2013 2141 hours

Type of Incident: Shooting at an Inhabited Dwelling
Arrest

Location: 100 block N.E. 3rd, Visalia

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

1. Confidential Hispanic Male
2. Unknown Male
- 3.

Age:

13 years
Unknown

Arrested:

Yes
No

Details: On 03/14/13 at 2140 hours, officers were dispatched to the 100 block N.E. 3rd for a shooting at an inhabited dwelling that had just occurred. Upon the officers arrival they discovered a residence had been shot with a flare gun. The flare gun cartridge had been shot through living room window and landed in the residence. There were several people in the residence at the time; however, no one was injured. Witnesses were able to give a description of two suspects who fled the scene on foot.

On 03/19/13 the case was assigned to the Violent Crimes Unit. The case was determined to be gang related. A 13 year old suspect was identified as being involved and was arrested without incident in Visalia on this date. He was booked at the Tulare County Juvenile Hall for shooting at an inhabited dwelling, arson, gang enhancement, and conspiracy.

If anyone has any information, especially the identity of the second suspect involved, they are urged to contact Detective Chris Jennings at 559-713-4727 or the anonymous tip line at 713-4738.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Detective Jennings

Supervisor: Sgt. Lentzner



