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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
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**VPD Report Number:** 15-10682, 15-11675, 15-13269

**Date/Time Occurred:** 7/31/15 @ 0045 Hrs, 08/20/15 @

0047 Hours, 9/19/15 @ 0507 Hours

Type of Incident: Wanted Suspect for Armed Robberies Location: Area of Dinuba Blvd / Riggin

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:Age:Arrested:1. Zeledon, Jose Sobalbarro31no

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**Details:** Since the end of July, 2015, the Violent Crimes Unit has been investigating the following series of three armed robberies: 7/31/15 @ 0045 Hrs, The suspect robbed a male and female at the Riverway Sports Park; 08/20/15 @ 0047 Hours, The suspect robbed a male and female in the parking lot of Target on North Dinuba Blvd; and 9/19/15 @ 0507 Hours, The suspect robbed a male and female at the Riverway Sports Park.

In each of these robberies, the suspect approached a male and female who were parked in a vehicle late at night or in the early morning hours. The suspect produced a weapon and demanded property from the victims. Once the victims turned over the property, the suspect fled the scene.

Suspect Jose Sobalbarro Zeledon has been identified as being responsible for these crimes. Suspect Zeledon is transient and frequents the North Visalia area where these crimes occurred.

Suspect Zeledon is described as a Hispanic Male, 31 years of age, 5'09", 130 lbs, Black hair, and Brown eyes. A photo of Suspect Zeledon is attached however his appearance may have slightly changed by growing or shaving facial hair or shaving his head. A \$1 million warrant has been issued for the arrest of Suspect Zeledon.

The Visalia Police Department is asking for anyone who sees Suspect Zeledon or has information related to his whereabouts to please contact the police immediately by calling (559)734-8117 or 911. The public should not approach or attempt to contact Suspect Zeledon. Anonymous tips can also be left by calling Crime Stoppers at 498-STOP (7867).

Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Violent Crimes Unit

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