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*****NEWS RELEASE*****

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VPD Report Number: 17-01241

Date/Time Occurred: 01/05/17 / 1045

Type of Incident: Kidnap / Assault Arrest

Location: St. Johns Parkway / Lark – Modoc Ditch area

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Johnny Cardenas

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Details: On 01/05/17 at 1045 hours, patrol officers responded to an assault call in the area of St. Johns Parkway and Lark near Modoc Ditch. The victim reported while walking along St. Johns Parkway, she was assaulted by a subject later identified by detectives as suspect Johnny Cardenas. The victim reported Cardenas had grabbed her as she walked past him and pulled her toward his vehicle parked on the ditch access road. While struggling to free herself the suspect cut the victim's hand with a knife causing a minor injury. The incident was interrupted by a passerby who aided the victim in calling police. The suspect fled in his vehicle and was not located.

On today's date, Cardenas was located in Visalia by detectives and taken into custody. Cardenas was arrested for kidnap, assault and booked in jail.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Violent Crimes Unit/Property

Supervisor: Sgt. Mark Feller

