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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
July 7, 2017

VPD Report Number: 17-54322 Date/Time Occurred: 07/05/17 at 1400 hours

**Type of Incident:** Assault with a Firearm **Location:** Dinuba Blvd. / Riggin Ave.

## Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	<u>Age:</u>	Arrestea:
1. Anthony Alvarez (Visalia)	21	YES
2. Male Juvenile (Visalia)	15	YES
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**Details:** On the above date and time Patrol responded to a report of a brandishing of a firearm at an adult male VICTIM who was a passenger in a vehicle at the intersection of Dinuba and Riggin. As Officers responded to the area additional information was dispatched including a direction of travel and a SUSPECT description. Officers made contact with the Juvenile SUSPECT in the area of Conyer and Lark where he was contacted and taken into custody. Officers located and secured a loaded 9mm handgun from the Juvenile SUSPECT. He was booked into Juvenile Hall for Assault with a Firearm, Weapons Charges, and Gang Enhancements. During the investigation Officers learned the Juvenile SUSPECT had been driven to the intersection in a White Chevy Malibu by SUSPECT AVLAREZ and that the adult male VICTIM was targeted by the SUSPECTS.

On 07/07/17 at 1300 hours, SUSPECT ALVAREZ was located, contacted and arrested on a traffic stop. He was booked to Jail for Assault with a Firearm, Conspiracy, and Gang Enhancements. This case is being investigated as a Gang Crime. The adult male VICTIM was not injured as no shots were fired.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Violent Crimes / SEB **Supervisor:** Sgt. Mark Feller

