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NEWS RELEASE
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VPD Report Number: 18-009728 Date/Time Occurred: 2-2-18 / 0444

Type of Incident: False Imprisonment and Assault with

a Deadly Weapon (motor vehicle)

Location: Murphy Motel 1102 E. Mineral King and N/B

HWY 99 north of Betty Drive (Goshen)

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect: Age: Arrested:

1. Luis Martin Salazar-Moreno 22 Yes

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Details: On 2-2-18 / 0444 hours, an adult female and (S) Luis Salazar-Moreno were arguing inside a motel room at 1102 E. Mineral King. During the argument, the suspect prevented the victim from leaving the motel room. The victim eventually fled from the room and left the motel in a vehicle driven by a male acquaintance. The victim's vehicle traveled west on Highway 198 with Salazar-Moreno following them in his vehicle. Both vehicles then continued north on Highway 99.

The suspect vehicle then struck the rear of the victims' vehicle several times, causing both vehicles to become disabled. The female victim sustained minor injuries from the collision and was treated at a local hospital and released. Salazar-Moreno was arrested at the scene and booked at the adult Pre-Trial Facility for False Imprisonment and Assault with a Deadly Weapon. The Tulare County Sheriff's Department and the California Highway Patrol assisted with this investigation.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Patrol Supervisor: Sgt. C. Jennings