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2 ARRESTED IN KOHL'S ARMED ROBBERY

Riverside, California: On July 22, 2013 at approximately 6:08 AM, Riverside Police Department uniformed officers responded to Kohl's at 3530 Tyler Street reference an armed robbery in progress. A male suspect armed with a handgun confronted store employees entering the business. The suspect forced the employees into the office at gunpoint and demanded cash. After he was given the money, he fled to the parking and got into a white Dodge Avenger and fled. The suspect vehicle got onto Eastbound 91 freeway.

A Riverside Police sergeant located the vehicle Eastbound on the 10 freeway just east of the 215. The sergeant attempted to stop the vehicle as it exited the freeway at California in Redlands. The vehicle failed to stop and a pursuit ensued on Redlands surface streets. The pursuit ended about three minutes later when the car stopped on Barton Road just west of Alabama. The male suspect fled from the vehicle on foot with a duffle bag. The officers gave chase. The foot pursuit went several hundred yards before he stopped and surrendered. He discarded the duffle bag in a dumpster as he was running. The driver of the vehicle, a female, remained in the car and was arrested by assisting officers. Redlands Police officers assisted in securing the area during the investigation.

Detectives from the Robbery – Homicide Unit responded to both Kohl's and the scene in Redlands and assumed the investigation. Detectives were assisted by an evidence technician from the Forensic Unit. An undisclosed amount of cash was located in the duffle bag along with a loaded handgun.

Eugene Davis Washington, 44, of Palmdale, was arrested for armed robbery (211 PC), kidnap for robbery (209 PC), felon in possession of a firearm (29800(a)(1) PC), felon in possession of ammunition 30305 (a)(1) PC, and a parole violation (3056 PC). Washington is currently on parole for robbery.

Tumoi King, 26, of Mohave, was arrested for armed robbery (211 PC), kidnap for robbery (209 PC), and failure to yield (2800.1 CVC).

Both suspects were booked into the Riverside County Jail in Riverside.

These suspects are believed to have been involved in numerous similar armed robberies and attempted robberies throughout Riverside and San Bernardino counties over the past several months. It is anticipated law enforcement agencies in both counties will be asking for additional robbery and related charges from their respective District Attorneys' as the investigation proceeds. Anyone with information on this case is asked to call Detective Jim Simons at 951.353.7138 or Detective Jim Brandt at 951.353.7137.

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