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Suspects Arrested for Armed Robbery of Medical Marijuana Practitioner

Riverside, CA-On March 29, 2010, at approximately 11:35 PM, the Riverside Police Communications Center received a report of an armed robbery that had just occurred in the 5200 block of Chicago Avenue. The caller reported that he had agreed to meet with a customer to make a sale of medical marijuana. When the customer arrived he had two others with him. The three men robbed the victim at gunpoint of a large quantity of individual packages of marijuana and left in a Mercury SUV. They were unaware the victim was following them and calling the police.

The Officers who responded to the call received periodic updates on the suspect and victims' direction of travel and location. The officers caught up with the vehicles on the 91 Freeway near Van Buren. The suspects refused to pull over when the officers tried to stop them. They fled in their vehicle for several miles before exiting at Magnolia and stopping on Pierce where the officers conducted a high risk traffic stop. All three suspects were arrested. Officers found a handgun on the freeway where they had seen one of the suspects throw it from the vehicle.

The suspects were arrested for armed robbery, marijuana possession and evading the police. They are identified as Daniel Rodriguez (23) of Riverside, Christopher Archer (20) of Riverside and Jose Ferrufino (29) of Anaheim.

Anyone with information related to this investigation is urged to call the Riverside Police Department Centralized Investigation Division at 951-353-7100.

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