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PRESS RELEASE

STOLEN VEHICLE SUSPECT ARRESTED

DATE: January 26, 2013

LOCATION: Dempsey Avenue @ Shirley Drive

CASE #: 13-026-161

SUSPECT #1: Patrick Gathignol, 32 year-old, Milpitas resident

SUSPECT #2: Reyna Cortez, 28 year-old, Milpitas resident

On January 26, 2013, at approximately 11:51 P.M., a Milpitas police officer located a stolen 2008 Honda Accord and conducted a high risk car stop. The two occupants were taken into custody without incident. The passenger was in possession of stolen property that was taken during a residential burglary in Milpitas on January 21, 2013.

The driver was identified as Patrick Gathignol and was arrested on various charges, including: auto theft, possession of stolen property and possession of burglary tools. The passenger was identified as Reyna Cortez. Cortez was arrested on various charges, including: possession of stolen property and two outstanding warrants.

Anyone with any information regarding this investigation or other similar incidents occurring in our city is encouraged to call the Milpitas Police Department at (408) 586-2400. Information can be given anonymously by calling the Crime Tip Hotline at (408) 586-2500 or via the Milpitas Police Department website at:

http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime_tip.asp

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