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PRESS RELEASE

I. DATE AND TIME OF PRESS RELEASE:

November 4, 2008

II. TYPE OF INCIDENT/SITUATION/ANNOUNCEMENT:

Recent residential burglary and Crime Prevention tips:

Penal Code Section 459 PC: Residential Burglary
Penal Code Section 182 PC: Conspiracy to Commit Burglary

III. FACTUAL INFORMATION:

On October 16, 2008 at approximately 1:45 PM, the below three suspects entered the city limits of Livermore with an apparent plan to commit a residential burglary. They drove throughout the City and ended up entering the 700 block of Traviso Circle.

At least one suspect (Kevin Morgan) exited their car and began knocking on doors pretending to solicit for a business. Morgan walked up to one home and began to repeatedly knock on the homeowner's front door. The homeowner peered out the doors "peep-hole" and observed Morgan on the front porch. The homeowner also heard the sound of a car engine idling in front of the home. The homeowner became suspicious and looked out a secondary window and saw a Gray Jeep Cherokee parked in front of the home occupied by a second suspect (Joshua Medeiros).

Morgan continued to knock and ring the homeowner's front door and ring the doorbell for several minutes. The front door then burst open breaking the door jamb and side molding. Morgan entered the home and was startled by the homeowner standing in the front room. Morgan fled the home to the awaiting Jeep parked in the street. The homeowner called 911 and officers flooded the area.

A vehicle leaving the immediate area and matching the description provided by the homeowner was stopped and the occupants were detained. Probable cause was developed and the three occupants were arrested for residential burglary and conspiracy to commit residential burglary.

Crime Prevention Tips relating to suspicious door to door solicitors:

- **ALWAYS** verbally acknowledge a knock at the door or the doorbell. Talk through the door without opening it. Tell them you are busy and not interested. Should the 'solicitor' become aggressive or you see them walk around your residence call the police immediately. Children left home alone should adhere to these tips and immediately call 911 if the solicitor does not leave.

- A **"Beware of Dog"** sign posted on each side of your home is a good deterrent.
- **ALWAYS** secure windows and doors, even when you are home.

Most residential burglaries occur during the day while you are at work**.** These types of burglars are called "opportunist." Remove the opportunity and help protect yourself.

For more information on joining or creating a Neighborhood Watch group, please call our Crime Prevention Officer Nicole Aguon at 925- 371-4978.

IV. LOCATION OF INCIDENT:

700 Block of Traviso Circle, Livermore

V. DATE & TIME OF ARREST:

October 16, 2008 at 1:45 PM

VI. SUBJECTS ARRESTED/INVOLVED IN INVESTIGATION:

Kevin Morgan
42 years old
Resides in Modesto, CA

Joshua Medeiros
20 years old
Resides in Modesto, CA

Jodi Northcutt
38 years old
Resides in Modesto, CA

VII. CASE NUMBER: 08-008311

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Should you require further information please call the contact person designated in this press release. If the contact person is not available, and you have a deadline, please call the on duty Watch Commander at (925) 371-4820.

Steve Sweeney
Chief of Police

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