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- I. DATE PRESS RELEASE: January 9, 2012
 - II. ANNOUNCEMENT: Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) Activation
 - III. FACTUAL INFORMATION:

On January 8, 2012, at approximately 1:00 p.m., officers from the Livermore Police Department discovered a stolen vehicle in the driveway of 375 Elizabeth Court. Officers watched the vehicle while conducting a follow up investigation. During that investigation, officers learned that a wanted parolee, Eric Ontiveros (24), was possibly at the residence. Ontiveros was listed as armed and dangerous and he reportedly previously made statements concerning shooting it out with police.

Livermore Police officers surrounded the residence and called out the occupants. The call out was conducted in order to proceed with a probation search of two of the occupants. Ten persons exited the residence and were detained. During the call out, Ontiveros was seen by perimeter officers attempting to flee through the backyard. Upon being confronted, Ontiveros fled back inside the residence.

Officers asked for cooperation of the occupants to learn if Ontiveros was armed, but they were uncooperative and refused to admit he was there at all. All ten occupants were later released.

The Livermore Police Department requested the assistance of the East Bay Regional Parks Police helicopter, "Eagle." Eagle arrived on scene and provided up to date intelligence to officers on the ground. After several attempts to call Ontiveros out of the residence by both ground units and Eagle with negative results, the East County (Livermore/Pleasanton) Tactical Team (SWAT) was activated. The East County Tactical Team began arriving at about 2:00 p.m. The Union City Police Department and the Newark Police Department also responded with special equipment to elevate officer and suspect safety.

Ultimately, through negotiations with CNT and the assistance of Ontiveros' mother, he agreed to surrender to officers. Ontiveros was taken into custody at about 4:20 p.m. and the scene was cleared shortly thereafter. He was booked at Santa Rita Jail under a parole hold with additional charges pending.

The Livermore Police Department would like to thank the community members who were evacuated or who were restricted from returning to their homes. The potential for a violent confrontation existed and the department acted to ensure the safety of the citizens in the area. We regret any inconvenience and appreciate your cooperation.

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