NEWS RELEASE

City of Chino Hills Police Department

Date/Time Occurred: Tuesday, June 25, 2015
Crime or Incident: PC 215 Carjacking
Location: 71 Freeway and Pine Avenue, Chino Hills
Victim(s): Confidential
Suspect(s): Silva Carrillo, Esteban, 42, Pomona
Soto, Genesis, 24, Pomona

SUMMARY

Chino Hills deputies arrested car-jacking couple Thursday and recovered the victims’ vehicle, money, stolen electronics and cellular phone, as well as the firearm used in the crime.

Esteban Silva Carrillo and Genesis Soto were arrested Thursday afternoon after an elaborate crime spree that spanned from Pomona to Chino to Chino Hills. Chino Hills detectives took the lead on the case, as deputies were the first to find the suspects and take them into custody.

Silva Carrillo and Soto met the victims at a store in Pomona to buy electronics the victims had loaded in their car. Silva Carrillo and Soto told the victims they wanted to purchase the electronics and made their way from Pomona to the area of Pine Avenue and the 71 Freeway. One of the two victims got into Silva Carrillo’s grey Mercedes with both suspects, while the other victim waited in his car near the 71 Freeway.

Silva Carrillo and Soto robbed the victim who was in the car with them and left him in a rural area near Euclid and Pine avenues in Chino. A person who witnessed this called police and Chino Police responded to the robbery. Chino Police immediately released a broadcast to surrounding law enforcement to be on the lookout for the suspects’ grey Mercedes.

Minutes later, Chino Hills deputies received a report of a car-jacking. Silva Carrillo and Genesis returned to the other victim, who had been waiting in his car, pointed what was later to be determined to be an air-soft pistol at the victim and stole his car. Carrillo Silva left driving the victim’s stolen vehicle as Soto followed him in the grey Mercedes. The victim was able to get the license plate of the grey Mercedes and report it to deputies. The victim also gave a very detailed description of both suspects.

Deputies immediately responded to an address in a mobile home park in the unincorporated area of Montclair where Mercedes was registered. The Sheriff’s Department Aviation Division assisted in the area check. Silva Carrillo and Soto were found walking in the mobile home park, in the direct vicinity of the grey Mercedes, and taken into custody without incident.

Electronics and one of the victim’s cell phones were recovered from the suspects’ grey Mercedes. The victim’s vehicle was found at a park in Ontario near the corner of Riverside Drive and Campus. The air-soft firearm was recovered, as well as additional evidence linking the suspect’s to the various crimes. Chino Police department is conducting a parallel investigation regarding the robbery of the other victim that occurred in the city of Chino.
Silva Carrillo and Soto, who is on parole for home invasion robbery, were booked at West Valley Detention Center for car-jacking. Investigators will also seek charges of robbery and conspiracy to commit robbery and car-jacking.

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