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## Pacifica Police Department

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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Two Arrested for Possession of an Unlawful Firearm and Controlled Substances for Sale**

Pacifica, Ca- On August 7, 2023 at approximately 2:30 a.m. personnel from the Pacifica Police Department contacted an occupied vehicle parked at the Grace McCarthy Vista Point, located at 400 Sharp Park Road. During the contact officers observed the occupants, 19-year-old Xavier Vasquez of South San Francisco and 20-year-old Salvador Avelino-Escobar of Ceres, CA were in possession of marijuana.

During the course of this investigation a modified handgun was located in the vehicle. This modification of a "Glock-switch" allows the firearm to be fully-automatic when fired. Also located was 181.1 grams of suspected methamphetamine, digital scales and (86) packages of edible marijuana. Both subjects were arrested and booked into San Mateo County Jail.

Salvador Avelino-Escobar was arrested for the following charges:

- 32625(A) PC- Possession & Unlawful conversion of Firearm into Machinegun
- 23900 PC- Alter Remove Identification Marks to Firearm

Xavier Vasquez was arrested for the following charges:

- 11378 HS- Possession Controlled Substance for Sale
- 11359(B) HS- Possession Marijuana for Sale
- 11375(B)(2) HS- Possess Controlled Substance without Prescription
- 11350(A) HS- Possession of Narcotics

Individuals with information are asked to call the Pacifica Police Department at 650-738-7314, or the Silent Witness Tip Line at 650-359-4444. Refer to Case #23-2080

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