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Two Suspects Arrested after Fleeing from Stolen Vehicle

Pacifica, CA- On March 7, 2022 at approximately 2:25 AM, a Pacifica Police Officer was on patrol in the area of Oceana Boulevard and Milagra Drive when he observed a vehicle entering State Route 1 (SR-1) at the Manor off ramp in the wrong direction. Noticing the violation, the Officer attempted to conduct a traffic enforcement stop on the wrong way driver; however the vehicle fled from the officer by traveling southbound on SR-1 in the northbound lanes of traffic. Seeing how the vehicle was traveling in the wrong direction and into oncoming traffic, the Officer did not pursue the car.

A short time later the same vehicle was exiting SR-1 at the Oceana Boulevard on-ramp against oncoming traffic, when an officer again attempted to conduct a traffic stop of the suspect vehicle. The officer determined that this vehicle had been reported stolen to the Daly City Police Department the day prior by checking the record on the license plate. The vehicle attempted to reverse down the on-ramp, drove off of the roadway, and rolled onto its side into the shoulder and one lane of SR-1. Two subjects in the vehicle were observed fleeing the collision scene on foot and were last seen running towards Ingrid B. Lacy Middle school.

Officers established a perimeter in the surrounding neighborhood, Personnel from the South San Francisco Police Department, the Daly City Police Department, the California Highway Patrol and the San Bruno Police Department, which included a drone, responded to the scene to assist with the search of this area.

These two subjects were later located hiding in the immediate area. They were later identified as VICTOR EKAVILA, a 36 year old male from San Francisco, CA and IGNACIO MONTOYA-GUERRERO, a 27 year old male from San Francisco, CA.

IGNACIO MONTOYA-GUERRERO was located with the aid of a drone operated by the San Bruno Police Department. He was located hiding in a heavy brush area on the campus of the school. VICTOR EKAVILA was located a few blocks away at the corner of Palmetto Avenue and Carmel Avenue in an open stairwell.

Both subjects were apprehended without further incident and neither subject sustained injuries.

IGNACIO MONTOYA-GUERRERO was placed under arrest and booked at the San Mateo County Jail for the following violations:

- 496D(A) PC –[Possess Stolen Vehicle]
- 10851(A) CVC-[Take Vehicle w/o Owners Consent]
- 2800.4 CVC [Evading a Police Officer-Wrong Way Driver] -
- 148(A)(1) PC [Obstruct/Resist Police Officer]
- Outstanding San Francisco Sheriff's Department Bench Warrant for the violation of 10851(A) CVC -
- Outstanding Marin County Sheriff's Office Bench Warrant for the violation of 11364(a) H&S, 11377(A)H&S, 466 PC and 148.9(A) PC

VICTOR EKAVILA was placed under arrest and booked at the San Mateo County Jail for the following violations:

- 148(A)(1) PC [Obstruct/Resist Police Officer]
- 148.9(A) PC- [Give False Identification to Police Officer]

The California Highway Patrol recovered the stolen vehicle and cleared the traffic lane of SR-1. This incident did not result in any closures of the highway.

This investigation is continuing under Pacifica Police Department Case #22-0607. Anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Pacifica Police Department at 650-738-7314.

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