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MEDIA ADVISORY: Carjacking Suspect Sought

Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims is asking for the public's assistance in locating a subject who is suspected in a carjacking last month. The suspect has been identified as 23 year old Reedley resident, Kurt Eugene Worton.

During the early morning hours of May 18th, Worton had been attending a party at a residence located in the 3000 block of S. Navalencia Ave.

While at the party, Worton became involved in a disturbance with his girlfriend during which time he threatened to kill her. When she and another subject attempted to leave in her vehicle, Worton pulled the passenger out and started punching him repeatedly. When his girlfriend attempted to intervene, Worton slammed her to the ground. He then stole her vehicle and fled the area.

Responding deputies located Worton in the stolen vehicle a short distance from the party. When they tried to pull him over, Worton fled and a pursuit ensued. Moments later, Worton crashed the stolen vehicle when he failed to negotiate a turn on Alta Ave at Hogan Ave. Deputies were unable to find Worton after he fled on foot.

As a result of the incident, one of the victims had to be treated at the scene for moderate injuries.

Worton, who also goes by the name of "Tweety", is described as a white male, 6-1, 190 lbs with brown hair and blue eyes. He has tribal band tattoos around his forearms and another tattoo of Asian writing behind his right ear.

In addition to the carjacking charge, Worton is wanted on a variety of charges including robbery, terrorist threats, and battery with injury. He is also on parole.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Kurt Eugene Worton is asked to contact the Fresno County Sheriff's Department at 488-3111, or CrimeStoppers at 498-STOP(7867).

*****Photograph attached*****