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**MEDIA ADVISORY: Press Conference- Counterfeit CDs
To Be Destroyed**

Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims will hold a joint press conference with representatives from the Recording Industry Association of America regarding a counterfeit CD investigation that was recently adjudicated.

The press conference will take place on Tuesday, June 19th at 9:00am, at the American Avenue Landfill, 18950 W American Ave. (South of the City of Kerman).

Over a seven month investigation, detectives and RIAA investigators purchased counterfeit CDs from different stores in Fresno County before locating and seizing over 40,000 counterfeit CDs at a residence in Kingsburg. As a result, one subject was arrested and pled guilty to possession of counterfeit items for sale.

Now that the case has been adjudicated, all 40,000 CDs will be destroyed at the landfill.

This should be a good photo/film opportunity for media when the CDs are run over by a steam roller.

In addition, the RIAA will present the Sheriff's Department, and investigators, with gold records to acknowledge their efforts in solving the case.

For further information, please contact PIO, Deputy Chris Curtice at 488-2699, or the Sheriff's Department watch Commander at 488-1650.