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MEDIA ADVISORY: Pursuit Leads To Arrest Of Burglary Suspects

Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims today announced the arrest of two men on numerous residential burglary charges. Arrested were 35 year old Jesus Morales Barrera and 30 year old Alvaro Bravo, both of Biola.

On September 6th at approximately 9:30 am, Sheriff's detectives were conducting a follow up investigation to a residential burglary that had occurred in the 2000 block of S. Madera Ave. During the investigation, the suspect vehicle drove past the residence.

Detectives immediately followed after the suspects and attempted to pull them over. The suspects failed to stop and a pursuit ensued. During the pursuit, two handguns were thrown from the vehicle. Detectives lost the suspects in the area of North Ave. & Goldenrod Ave. only after identifiable information on the suspects had been obtained.

Both of the weapons were recovered and were found to have been stolen in a prior burglary.

The investigation identified both Barrera and Bravo as being suspects in the burglary.

A subsequent search of both Barrera and Bravo's residences revealed stolen property from several residential burglaries from the western Fresno County communities of Biola, Kerman, San Joaquin, and Caruthers.

The suspects were arrested by Sheriff's deputies the following morning while trying to break into another residence located in the 4700 block of N. Fourth St. in Biola. Both were taken into custody without incident.

Jesus Barrera was booked into the Fresno County Jail on 20 counts of residential burglary, possession of stolen property, criminal conspiracy, resisting arrest, and probation violations.

Alvaro Bravo was booked into the Fresno County Jail 20 counts of residential burglary, several counts of possession of stolen property, being armed in the commission of a felony, recklessly evading, criminal conspiracy and resisting arrest.

The investigation is continuing.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact the Fresno County Sheriff's Area 1 headquarters at 693-2437, the Fresno county Sheriff's department at 488-3111, or CrimeStoppers at 498-STOP(7867).

*****No photos at this time as the investigation continues*****