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MEDIA ADVISORY: Two Arrested After Vehicle Pursuit

Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims today announced the arrest of two Fresno residents after a vehicle pursuit. Arrested were 30 year old Arthur Jesse Gamez and 22 year old Cristina Gomez.

The incident started on September 21st at approximately 1:05 am when deputies attempted to stop a white colored Honda Accord in the area of McKinley & Vista.

When deputies initiated their emergency lights to make the stop, the vehicle failed to yield and a pursuit ensued. After several minutes, deputies lost the vehicle in the area of Barstow & Grantland.

Deputies were then assisted by the California highway Patrol's helicopter, "H-40" who found the vehicle abandoned on a canal bank near Shaw & Bryan. A check of the vehicle found that it had been reported stolen out of Selma.

Over the next few minutes, citizens in the area started calling into the Sheriff's Department regarding a male and female running in the area of Contessa & San Jose. With the assistance of H-40, the male subject, (later identified as Gamez), was found hiding in the back yard of a residence located in the area. The female subject, (later identified as Gomez), was found a short time later hiding in the yard of another residence in the area.

As a result of the investigation, Gomez was placed under arrest on charges of possession of stolen property, felony evading, and a parole violation. Gomez also admitted to being a bulldog gang member. Gomez was placed under arrest on charges of possession of stolen property.

Both were later booked into the Fresno County Jail.