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Deputy Arrests Drug Trafficking Suspect Near Interstate 5

Fresno County Sheriff's deputies have booked 36-year-old Randy Tran into the Fresno County Jail for possession of marijuana for sale and probation violation. Tran is from Lawndale, CA (Los Angeles area).

*****Photo of suspect included*****

Around 6:30 pm Wednesday, a deputy patrolling the area of I-5 and Dorris Ave. in Coalinga conducted a vehicle stop near the Chevron gas station. During the deputy's interaction with the driver, Randy Tran, he discovered Tran was carrying 10 lbs. of marijuana and \$120,000 in cash.

Members of the Central Valley California High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) have identified I-5 as a major drug trafficking route in the United States. The nearly 1,400 mile long west coast freeway stretches from Canada to Mexico. It is well-known that criminals use I-5 to transport large amounts of methamphetamine, marijuana, cocaine and heroin.

The Sheriff's Office takes all tips seriously. If you are aware of any type of illegal drug activity, report it anonymously by calling the Narcotics Hotline at 1-800-660-1086 or Email: drugtip@fresnosheriff.org

