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Public's Help Needed Catching Caruthers Jewelry Store Robbery Suspect

Property crimes detectives with the Fresno County Sheriff's Office have identified Crescenciano Moreno as a suspect in the June 9th robbery of the "Joyeria Krystal" jewelry store located at 2215 W. Tahoe Ave. in Caruthers. A judge has issued an arrest warrant and it comes with a bail amount of \$345,000.

Moreno is 34 years old, 5'9", 200 lbs., with brown eyes and black hair. He goes by the nickname of "Chris" and is known to hang out in the areas of Fresno and Reedley.

Around 10:20 am on June 9th, two men armed with handguns entered Joyeria Krystal and tied up the woman who was working. One suspect held her at gunpoint while the other took jewelry from display cases and cash from a safe. They fled in a black Mercedes Benz. The total value stolen is estimated to be tens of thousands of dollars.

Detectives developed information that identified 35 year old Jorge Albert Aquino as one of the robbery suspects. On July 6th, detectives made a vehicle stop in the area of Herndon and Golden State in Fresno, found Aquino inside the car and arrested him. Detectives also found a loaded handgun inside the car.

Detectives later served a search warrant at Aquino's home located on the 5400 block of W. Indianapolis Ave. in Fresno. Inside they found an AR-15 style handgun, ammunition, cash and cocaine (46 grams or 1.6 ounces).

Aquino is currently being held in the Fresno County Jail on numerous charges, including robbery, possession of drugs by a felon and possession of guns by a felon. His bail is \$628,000.

During the course of this investigation, detectives found the black Mercedes Benz car that was used in the robbery. No one was in the car when it was found. The car has since been returned to car dealer, where it was wanted for the purpose of repossession.

This remains an ongoing investigation. Detectives continue to search for the merchandise stolen from the jewelry store.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Crescenciano Moreno or has details on this case is asked to contact Detective Carl Chalmers at (559) 600-8174 or Crime Stoppers at (559) 498-7867. You will remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward.