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Press Release

Police Department

ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON ON A POLICE OFFICER / CARJACKING SUSPECT INCUSTODY

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On Thursday June 28, 2012, at approximately 7:00 p.m., gang investigators with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Operation Safe Streets Bureau arrested the outstanding suspect sought in connection with a carjacking incident occurring in the City of Torrance and a separate incident involving the suspect shooting at Torrance Police Detectives near the City of Compton. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Investigators identified and located the suspect during an ongoing investigation following the shooting incident near Compton. The suspect arrested was identified as Markeese Slocum, 25 years, who resides in the City of Compton. Slocum was arrested in an apartment complex in the 500 block of East Esther Street in the City of Long Beach and charged with assault with a deadly weapon on a police officer, attempted murder on a police officer, carjacking, and robbery.

On Sunday June 24, 2012, at about 11:00 p.m., a victim in the 23800 block of Crenshaw Blvd in the City of Torrance reported being confronted by a male suspect with a handgun and having his truck carjacked. The suspect fled the area in the victim's truck.

On Wednesday June 27, 2012, Torrance Police Detectives developed information on the possible whereabouts of the stolen truck taken during the carjacking. At about 9:00 a.m., while conducting follow up investigation in the area 139th Street and San Pedro Street near Compton, the detectives attempted to contact two males who were possible suspects. Both suspects fled from the detectives, one ran away into the surrounding neighborhood and the other got into a truck and drove away. The detectives followed the truck and the suspect driving fired an undetermined number of rounds from a handgun at the detective's vehicle, hitting the detective's vehicle at least one time. No officers were injured. The suspect in the truck fled the area. A containment of the area

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was set up with the assistance of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and other surrounding agencies. The suspect who ran away was located and arrested inside the containment area. That suspect was identified as Antwan Bacon, 20 years, who resides in the City of Los Angeles. Bacon was charged with possession of a stolen vehicle. The second suspect was not located at the time of the search. The truck in which the second suspect fled in was later located unoccupied in a nearby area and determined to be the stolen truck taken during the carjacking incident in the City of Torrance on June 24, 2011.

This crime is being investigated under the command and direction of Acting Captain Michael Jezulin of the Special Operations Bureau. Anyone with information about these incidents is encouraged to contact the Torrance Police Department Detective Division at (310) 618-5570.

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