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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: Robbery/Firearm

Date: Thursday, November 15, 2007

From: Sgt Steve D. Hernandez

Case or Incident # 2007-039667

Summary:

On 11/15/2007, at approximately 7:40 pm, the Juneau Police Department received a report from a male juvenile who said he had just been robbed at gunpoint by two other male juvenile suspects while he was walking on Trinity Drive in the Mendenhall Valley. The victim, a 15-year old local male said he had been walking home by himself along Mendenhall Loop Road, by Trinity Drive. The two suspects had approached him from the area of Mendenhall Loop Road and Stephen Richards Memorial Drive. As they contacted the victim, one of the suspects held the victim from behind as the other brandished a handgun at him in a threatening manner. They then forced the victim to hand over personal items, which he had in his pockets. The two suspects then fled back towards Mendenhall Loop Road. The victim was not physically injured.

The victim described both suspects as being white male juveniles, between 16-17 years of age, one wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and the other wearing a brown hooded sweatshirt.

JPD Officers searched the area but were unable to locate the suspects. The victim was left in the care of a family member.

***** UPDATE *****

On 11/16/2007, at approximately 1734 hours, Juneau Police Officers contacted two 15 year old male juveniles in Switzer Village. Police had been looking for the two juveniles in connection to the robbery. On one of the juveniles was found a 22 caliber pistol.

The investigation revealed that both juveniles had participated in the robbery. Both juveniles were arrested for Robbery in the First Degree, a Class A felony. They were lodged at the Johnson Youth Center on no bail. The names of the juveniles are being withheld due to their age.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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