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*****NEWS RELEASE*****

June 25, 2014

VPD Report Number: 14-07714 & 14-07717

Date/Time Occurred: 6-24-14 / 1654hrs & 1915hrs

Type of Incident: Assault With A Deadly Weapon,
Criminal Threats, Brandishing A Weapon, & Witness
Intimidation

Location: 808 N Court @ Lincoln Oval Park

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

1. Sotello, Oscar
- 2.
- 3.

Age:

35

Arrested:

YES

Details: On 6-24-14 at approximately 1654hrs Officers were dispatched to the Lincoln Oval Park regarding a stabbing. Upon arrival Officers located a stab victim who was later transported to Kawea Delta Hospital for a non-life threatening wound. Prior to the suspect leaving the Lincoln Oval Park, witnesses stated that the suspect commented that he would return with a gun and kill someone.

Later at approximately 1915 hrs the suspect returned to the Lincoln Oval Park and brandished the knife at two additional victims. When Officers arrived on scene and searched for the suspect, witnesses indicated that he was hiding in a residence on Strawberry. The suspect was taken into custody without further incident. During the process of detainment, the suspect made threats to nearby witnesses. The suspect was later transported to Tulare County Jail and booked for the above charges.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Patrol/ Officer M. Navo

Supervisor: Sgt. R. Gauger S96

