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

October 8, 2016

VPD Report Number: 16-14905

Date/Time Occurred: August 7, 2016 at 2:19 am

Type of Incident: Attempted Murder

Location: 4545 W. Noble, Visalia, CA. 93277

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Kevin Gonzales

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Yes

2. Zacariah Martinez

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Yes

3.

Details: On August 7, 2016 at 2:19 am officers were dispatched to the Marco Polo Motel regarding an assault with a deadly weapon that had just occurred. Officers arrived and discovered that the victim had been confronted at the motel and stabbed numerous times. Detectives from the Violent Crimes Unit began investigating the case and later identified Kevin Gonzales and Zacariah Martinez as the suspects.

On October 5, 2016 Special Enforcement Officers assisted the Violent Crimes Unit with locating suspect Martinez in the 900 block of west Allen. On October 8, 2016 Special Enforcement Officers located suspect Gonzales in the 900 block of west Grove. Both suspects were interviewed and later booked into the Tulare County Pre-Trial Facility for Attempted Murder and Gang Enhancements. The victim's injuries were not life threatening. This incident appears to be gang related.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Violent Crimes Unit

Supervisor: Sgt. Kroeze

