



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*****NEWS RELEASE*****
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VPD Report Number: 17-07928

Date/Time Occurred: 01/30/17 at 0214 Hours

Type of Incident: Kidnapping, Sexual Assault

Location: 1000 Block of W. Houston

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Diego Comacho Moran
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Yes

Details: On 01/30/17 at 0214 Hours, Patrol Officers were contacted by the Tulare County Sheriff's Department regarding a female who they contacted in the 24800 Block of Yokohl Road east of Exeter. The female told deputies that she had been kidnapped from Visalia and sexually assaulted. The female victim was turned over to VPD for the investigation.

A Violent Crimes Detective responded to take over the investigation. The investigation showed that the victim was offered a ride by an acquaintance in the 1000 Block of W. Houston. Instead of driving her to her residence in Visalia, the suspect took her to the area near the 24800 Block of Yokohl Road where he sexually assaulted her. During the assault, the victim was able to get away from the suspect and run to a nearby residence. TCSO was then contacted to assist the victim. Upon deputies checking the area, the suspect had already fled the area.

After a month long investigation, detectives were able to positively identify the suspect as Diego Camacho Moran. On 03/02/17 at 0754 Hours, a patrol officer observed Suspect Moran's vehicle near Court St and NE 5th. A traffic stop was conducted and Suspect Moran was taken into custody without incident. He was interviewed by detectives and later booked into Tulare County Jail for Kidnapping, Sexual Assault and eight unrelated warrants.



Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol /Violent Crimes Unit

Supervisor: Sgt. K. Kroeze

