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*****NEWS RELEASE*****
January 29, 2020

VPD Report Number: 20-007960

Date/Time Occurred: 1-29-2020, 1009 hrs

Type of Incident: Felony Resisting Arrest

Location: Meadow / Shady

Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Paulo Rodriguez

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Yes

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Details: On 1-29-2020, 1009 hrs, officers responded to the 1000 block of S. Mooney Blvd regarding a stabbing which was reported. Officers were nearby and observed the suspect, later identified as Paulo Rodriguez, running from the area. Additional officers from the Visalia and College of the Sequoias police departments followed the suspect, and made contact with him in parking lot north of Meadow and Shady. The suspect was ultimately taken into custody after a prolonged struggle and Taser application. Although a witness reported a stabbing, there was no stabbing, and the female victim of the assault did not sustain any injuries, and did not desire prosecution. The suspect was later booked at the Tulare County Pre-trial facility for charges of resisting arrest, and felony resisting arrest with violence after being medically cleared.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol, Youth Services, COS PD **Supervisor:** Sgt. Pree

