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MICHAEL D. AVERY, Chief of Police

Press Release

DATE and TIME OF INCIDENT: May 31, 2007 – 0750 hours

TYPE OF INCIDENT: H&S 11550(a) – Under Influence, H&S 11377 – Possession of Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine), H&S 11357(c) – Possession of over 1 Oz of marijuana.

VICTIM: State of California

LOCATION OCCURRED: 500 blk. S. Appaloosa St.

SUSPECT: Oscar R. Rodriguez – HMA, 34 yoa, Bakersfield resident

On 5/31/07 at about 0750 hours, Officer Keys and Sgt. Obergfell responded to the location above on the report of a “suspicious subject” inside a vehicle. The car was not known at the location and did not belong to any of the neighbors. While speaking with the driver, Rodriguez, it was apparent he was nervous and was not familiar with the subjects who lived near the location. Additionally, he was on probation for other crimes.

During this contact with the suspect, Ofc. Keys detected that Rodriguez was displaying symptoms of recent controlled substance use and a small metal canister was discovered which the suspect was attempting to conceal. Inside this container was several marijuana “joints”. As the suspect exited the car, a knife pouch was concealed where the suspect was sitting. Inside this was several baggies containing suspected methamphetamine, as well as a glass smoking device. Rodriguez was arrested at the scene.

Officer Keys conducted a search of the vehicle and located approximately 30 grams of Marijuana concealed in a clothe container. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

The suspect was transported and booked at Kern Country Jail/ Ridgecrest, where he remains in custody at the time of this press release.

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PREPARED BY: Sgt. Robert Obergfell

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