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PRESS RELEASE **UPDATE**

Releasing Officer: Lieutenant Charles Gilchrist
Report Number: FG1600466
Date / Time Incident: April 5, 2016 / 2:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.
Location of Incident: 350 S. Main Street, Paul Bunyan Thrift Store
Fort Bragg, CA
Crime or Incident: 487(d)(2) PC – Grand Theft of Firearm
Victim(s): Name withheld
Suspect: Unknown

CIRCUMSTANCES:

On April 5, 2016, Officers of the Fort Bragg Police Department received a report of theft of a firearm and two law enforcement badges from a vehicle. The victim of the crime identified himself to be a retired Contra Costa County Sheriff's Captain, and retired Dixon Police Department Police Chief. The victim reported he had been shopping at several thrift stores in the Fort Bragg area, but believed the theft occurred outside of the Paul Bunyan Thrift Store on Main Street in Fort Bragg.

The firearm and badges were reported to be stored in a green camouflage fanny pack, and were contained in the cargo area of the vehicle the victim had been travelling in. The firearm is a black Glock model 27 sub-compact semi-automatic .40 caliber pistol. One of the badges is a Contra Costa Sheriff's Office star with the rank of "Captain" inscribed on it. The second badge is a Dixon Police Department shield with the rank of "Chief" inscribed on it. Both the shield and star badges were kept on leather belt clip style carriers.

This is an ongoing investigation, and any persons with information regarding the possible whereabouts of the firearm or badges, are requested to contact the Fort Bragg Police Department dispatch at 707-964-0200, and refer the information to investigating Officer Rafanan.

UPDATE:

On April 6, 2016, Officers of the Fort Bragg Police Department received a report that the firearm, badges and camouflage fanny pack previously reported as stolen had been located inside the Paul Bunyan Thrift Store. Officers responded to the store and recovered the items. Based on this new information it appears this incident didn't occur as it had previously been reported. The firearm was taken for safekeeping and stored at the Fort Bragg Police Department. Department of Justice protocols will be followed regarding final disposition of the firearm.

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