



Press Release

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PRESS RELEASE

Subject : Fraud/Kidnapping/Carjacking suspect

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On 02/03/2014, at about 1758 hours, Redondo Beach Police received a report of a fraud suspect who had fled on foot from loss prevention personnel of Nordstrom Rack, located at 1517 Hawthorne Blvd. Officers responded to the scene and contacted personnel from the store. Based on witness statements, the suspect had been detained by store personnel for fraudulent activity. Shortly after, he fled out the store and ran towards vehicle traffic on Hawthorne Blvd. Loss prevention personnel chased after him into the lanes of traffic. The suspect attempted to force his way into two separate vehicles stopped for traffic in the area of 177th St. but was unsuccessful. The suspect approached a third vehicle and was able to enter the car with the driver still inside. All involved vehicles then drove off. Surrounding police agencies were notified of the incident but the suspect managed to remain unidentified at this time. Anyone with information as to the identity of the suspect and/or involved vehicles is asked to contact the Redondo Beach Police Department.

The suspect is described as a male Hispanic, approximately 30 years old, 5' 09" tall, weighing approximately 200 lbs. He was last seen wearing a white sweater and blue jeans. Attached is a photograph of the suspect that was recovered from a fraudulent identification card he left at the scene of the crime.

The vehicle the suspect was seen entering and fleeing the area in is described only as an older model, silver colored, 4-door Audi.

This press release was prepared by Sergeant Scott Weibel.

