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## Press Release

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- WHAT:** Arrest for Carjacking, Kidnapping during a commission of a Carjacking, Robbery (Updated press release)
- WHERE:** US 101 southbound at the Gaviota Tunnel rest stop
- WHEN:** November 6, 2009 at approximately 6:00 PM
- ARRESTEE:** Soqui, Ryan Joseph, White male, Age 23, Brown Hair, Brown Eyes, Grover Beach Resident
- WITNESS:** Chris Ann Newman, White female, Age 44, Grover Beach Resident

On November 4, 2009 at approximately 8:45 PM, the San Luis Obispo Police Department investigated a reported carjacking, kidnapping and robbery near the intersection of Campus Way and Crandall. The investigation revealed that Soqui committed the offenses and an arrest warrant for Soqui was obtained.

On November 5, 2009, SLOPD received information that Soqui had fled San Luis Obispo County and was possibly in the City of Los Angeles. SLOPD officers traveled to Los Angeles where they were assisted by Los Angeles Police Department officers in searching areas where Soqui possibly frequented. Officers were unable to locate Soqui in Los Angeles.

On November 6, 2009, SLOPD and Cal Poly Police Department both conducted follow up investigations regarding this incident. We received information that Soqui was in Santa Barbara County near Isla Vista. Soqui was possibly going to meet a female identified as Chris Newman. Newman is known to drive a white Toyota Camry. SLOPD conducted surveillance on Newman's car with the assistance of the San Luis Obispo County Narcotic Task Force (SLOCNTF), and the Santa Barbara Regional Narcotic Enforcement Team (SBRNET). Newman was observed driving alone in the white Toyota Camry in Isla Vista. Newman left Isla Vista and drove northbound on US 101 towards Gaviota. The surveillance team followed Newman's car and confirmed the car had a male passenger. At approximately 6:00 PM, Newman exited US 101 at the Gaviota Tunnel rest stop and parked. Officers contacted the occupants of Newman's car and identified the passenger as Soqui. Soqui was arrested for carjacking, kidnapping, and robbery. A black and chrome Daisy BB gun resembling a semi-automatic handgun was located in the car. Soqui was booked into jail. Newman was interviewed at the San Luis Obispo Police Department and released.

Any further questions should be referred to the Press Information Officer. Anonymous information may be referred to Crime Stopper @ (805) 549-STOP

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**This is an on-going investigation and anyone with information is encouraged to contact the San Luis Obispo Police Department at 805-781-7317 or Crimestoppers at 805-549-STOP.**



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