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Subject: 1.3 Million Dollar Cocaine Seizure and Arrest

Case Number: 14-001292

Details:

SUSPECTS:

Antonio Tzampop – 44 year old male from Panorama City

Jose Campos – 39 year old male from Panorama City

On Tuesday, January 28, 2014 a Huntington Beach Police Officer stopped a Black Nissan Sentra in the area of Edinger Avenue and Countess Drive for a routine traffic violation. The driver was found to be unlicensed and both he and his passenger were acting unusually nervous under the circumstances. The officer requested assistance and was joined by a K9 Officer. The officers obtained consent to search the vehicle and found a large tire in the trunk of the vehicle that obviously did not fit the Nissan.

K9 Officer Thomas and his K9 "Bohdy", who is certified in narcotic detection, conducted a K9 sniff of the vehicle. "Bohdy" alerted to the tire and officers ultimately found "bricks" of cocaine hidden inside. Both subjects were arrested and booked at the city jail for transportation of a controlled substance. Narcotic detectives were notified due to the large amount seized and the way it was packaged. In total, 27 kilos of cocaine were recovered which has a wholesale value of \$648,000 and an approximate street value of \$1,297,645.

This investigation is continuing and no further information is being released at this time.