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### Media Release

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Re: Detectives Investigating Drug-Related Armed Robbery and Carjacking - 2024-00109505

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On 03-11-2024 just before 10 p.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the area of High Meadow Court in Spring Hill (Mariner's Cay apartment complex) regarding an armed robbery and carjacking.

The victim, identified as Gabriel Perla, told the operator three males had just robbed him at gunpoint and stole his vehicle. Perla provided a brief description of the three suspects.

Deputies arriving on scene spotted three males matching the description of the suspects and attempted to stop them. No longer in the stolen vehicle, the three males scattered on foot.

A K-9 was deployed in the area and located one of the suspects, identified as Uriah Carr, hiding in some hedges nearby. Car was detained.

Perla told deputies he was in the complex to "visit family" and turned down a dead-end road, where he was stopped by three or four black males. The male suspects reportedly wore masks and pointed firearms at Perla. Perla reports being forced out of his vehicle by the suspects, who then stole the vehicle.

Perla then ran to a family member's apartment in a nearby building to call for help.

Detectives then interviewed Uriah Carr, who stated he'd been hanging out with some guys and they decided to "hit" the vehicle Perla was driving. Carr went on to advise that he was not armed with a firearm, but went along with the robbery and did get into the stolen vehicle to search it. While Carr said he did not take anything from the vehicle, two of the other

suspects took a few bags of marijuana, one bag containing an unknown substance, and a firearm.

Detectives then confronted Perla about the marijuana. Perla confessed to a "weed deal" but insisted he was there to purchase marijuana, not sell it. Perla denied having a firearm in his vehicle.

Uriah Malik Carr DOB/08-27-2006 (15 years of age) was placed under arrest and charged as follows:

- Armed Robbery.

Carr was transferred to the Department of Juvenile Justice in Ocala.

The investigation is ongoing, with detectives attempting to identify and locate the other two suspects.

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***If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!***

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