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Suspect Detained for Evading and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm

Houston - Precinct 7 deputies detained a 23-year old Hispanic male, on Monday, July 17, 2017, for evading arrest and unlawful possession of a firearm.

Deputies were out conducting patrol in an unmarked Harris County Precinct 7 patrol unit in the 3600 block of Nalle Street at approximately 2:15 pm when they came across several individuals engaging in suspicious activity. Deputies observed the suspect, Joshua Gerard Gonzalez, standing in an area popular among drug traffickers and attempting to make a hand to hand transaction with an unidentified black female. Deputies also saw that Gonzalez was carrying a handgun with an extended magazine visibly tucked in waistband of his jeans.

One of the deputies exited the unmarked patrol vehicle wearing a complete police uniform and identifying himself as an officer in an attempt to make contact with Gonzalez. Instead of following the deputy's commands, Gonzalez took off on foot traveling southbound on Nalle Street. A foot chase ensued between the suspect and deputy. The suspect persisted to ignore the deputy's commands to stop as the foot chase continued down several streets.

While evading on foot, Gonzalez removed the Glock 26 with extended magazine from the waistband of his jeans and threw the gun into a vacant lot on the 3400 block of Holman Street. The suspect continued running but was soon stopped at gun point by the deputy and detained at the 3500 Block of Tierwester Street. The suspect's firearm loaded with 32 live bullets was retrieved along with a large sum of cash.

Joshua Gerard Gonzalez was arrested and charged with felony possession of a firearm.

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If You See Something, Say Something!

In an effort to help reduce crime in the community and in our neighborhoods, Harris County Precinct 7 is implementing the "If You See Something, Say Something" initiative.

The safety of each and every member of the Precinct 7 community is our number one priority, and for that reason we are asking all of you to come together and look out for each other.

If you witness any suspicious behavior or anything or anyone who appears strange and out of place, we ask that you report it immediately by calling the Precinct 7 Main Office at (713) 643- 6118 during regular business hours or our 24-hour dispatch when the main office is closed at (713) 643-6602. We also recommend that you program these numbers into your mobile phone for easy access in case of an emergency. You can also visit the Precinct 7 website <https://constable7.harriscountytexas.gov> to alert us electronically.

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