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NEWS RELEASE

Subject: Convenience Store Theft Operations.

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Over the past several months, the Odessa Police Department has noticed an increase in the number of thefts reported from convenience stores throughout the City. Some of the thefts culminated in robberies due to the store clerk either being threatened or actually injured during the commission of these thefts.

As a result, officers assigned to the Patrol Services Bureau and the Special Operation Bureau initiated a special assignment focusing on convenience stores located within the City. As a result of the operation, eleven individuals were arrested and charged with theft. In addition to being arrested for theft, some of the same arrested had additional charges including felonies, misdemeanors and local warrants. All individuals arrested were transported to the Ector County Law Enforcement Center.

The Odessa Police Department will continue to monitor convenience stores throughout the City in an effort to address the rising problem of thefts. All citizens are encouraged to report any suspicious activity immediately by calling 432(333-3641).

Individuals Arrested for Theft:

- (1) Joshua Perez, D.O.B. 07-09-1984, Theft.**
- (2) Ramon Rosales Jr, D.O.B. 01-21-1985, Theft**
- (3) Jeron Viscanio, D.O.B. 08-17-1974, Theft**
- (4) Robert Gonzalez, D.O.B. 04-21-1988, Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity-Theft**
- (5) Shamar Cooper, D.O.B. 10-31-1983, Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity-Theft**
- (6) Sara Amanda Craft, D.O.B. 05-21-1986, Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity-Theft**
- (7) Brandon Cooper, D.O.B. 04-02-1986, Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity-Theft**

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Additional charges filed:

Joshua Perez, D.O.B. 07-09-1984, Assault on Public Servant, Felony 3rd Degree
Ramon Rosales, D.O.B. 01-21-1985, Evading, Assault on Public Servant, Felony 3rd Degree
Brandon Cooper, Possession of Marijuana, class 'B' misdemeanor

Individuals arrested for offenses other than theft during the operation:

- (8) Jose Luis Escobedo, D.O.B. 04-01-1976, Possession of Cocaine, State Jail Felony
- (9) Juan Arturo Dominguez, D.O.B. Possession of Cocaine, State Jail Felony
- (10) Jennifer Lopez, D.O.B. 07-01-1987, Possession of Controlled Substance, class 'A' and Possession of Marijuana, class 'B' misdemeanor.
- (11) Calvin Calicutt, D.O.B. 04-19-1975, Possession of Marijuana, class 'B' and Possession of Ecstasy, State Jail Felony.