



Porterville Police Department Press Release

Crime(s): Attempt Rape

Date/Time: January 15, 2012 / 7:09 A.M.

Location(s): The under 100 block of South Chess Terrace, Porterville

Suspect(s): Veronica Cortez, 30 years, Porterville resident
Juvenal Palacios, 29 years, Porterville resident

Summary:

On January 15, 2012 at approximately 7:09 A.M., the Porterville Police Department was contacted by a 19 year old victim regarding an attempt rape which occurred earlier the same morning. It was reported while at a residence on South Chess Terrace, 29 year old Juvenal Palacios attempted to sexual assault her. 30 year old Veronica Cortez aided Palacios in his attempt by holding her down. The victim was able to break free and fled the residence. Officers responded to the residence and Palacios and Cortez were taken into custody for Attempt Rape. They were both later booked at the Tulare County Jail. The investigation in this case is ongoing.