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PRESS RELEASE

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VEHICLE PURSUIT

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a vehicle pursuit that occurred on January 18th, which began in the 1300 Block of Northwest 27th Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that at approximately 2:35 P.M. members of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department – Rapid Offender Control Squad (ROC) observed a black 2017 Dodge Journey in the area of the 1300 block of NW 27th Avenue, believed to have been stolen in an armed carjacking. A subsequent records check confirmed that the vehicle was indeed taken in a carjacking on the night of January 17th from the 1100 Block of SE 8th Street in Fort Lauderdale.

Fort Lauderdale Police ROC detectives requested assistance from Fort Lauderdale Police patrol officers and attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle, at which time the driver refused to stop the vehicle and fled; disobeying numerous traffic laws and initiating a police pursuit.

Fort Lauderdale Police officers with the assistance of the Broward Sheriff's Office Aviation Unit pursued the vehicle which ended with one suspect fleeing from the vehicle on foot in the area of Northwest 31st Avenue and 19th Street, and the remaining two suspects fleeing from the vehicle in the area of Northwest 34th Avenue and 5th Street. All three suspects were taken into custody without incident.

The suspects have been identified as Alexander Burris, B/M, 10/26/01; Timmy German, B/M, 09/01/02; and Verlin Porter, Jr., B/M, 12/14/02; all residents of the Fort Lauderdale area. Each of the suspects have been charged with the following:

- Armed Carjacking
- Resisting Arrest

In addition, Porter, the vehicle driver was charged with:

- Aggravated Fleeing and Eluding
- Leaving the scene of an accident; and,
- Operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license

Anyone with information in regards to this incident is encouraged to contact the Fort Lauderdale Police Department at 954-764-HELP (4357) or Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477).

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