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MISSING JUVENILE

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UPDATE 3:

Tammy Kongkham was charged by the Fort Lauderdale Police Department on Thursday, December 18, 2008 with two counts of Child Neglect, two counts of Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor, and two counts of Aggravated Child Abuse. This case continues.

UPDATE 2:

Earlier today, a Tamarac Code Enforcement Officer was working in the area of the Sunshine Plaza located at 4111 West Commercial Boulevard, when he observed what appeared to be Tammy Kongkham and her daughter. The officer recognizing pictures that have been displayed notified the Broward Sheriff's Office. Deputies responded and were able to recover Tammy and her daughter. Tammy and the young female were found in good condition and are currently being taken to BSO Headquarters where they will be transferred to Fort Lauderdale Custody. This investigation continues.

UPDATE 1:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department has received numerous tips from callers stating they have seen Tammy Kongkham throughout Broward County. Yesterday evening was the last reported sighting of Kongkham in the area of the Festival Flea Market located on Sample Road in Pompano Beach.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is involved in this case and federal charges are pending at this time.

Detectives have reason to believe that individuals are helping Kongkham elude capture. They are reminding the public that Kongkham is a fugitive and anyone who is knowingly assisting her may face criminal charges.

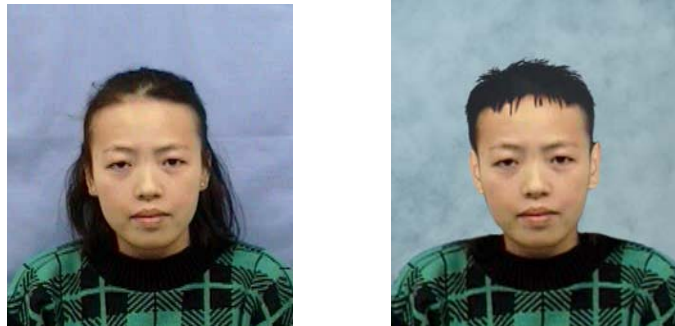
According to Broward County Crime Stoppers, the attached modified photo of Kongkham with very short hair clearly depicts her appearance at this time.

ORIGINAL:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is requesting help from the public in locating a missing 8 year old Asian female, Kimberly Kongkham. Kimberly was taken by her mother, Tammy Kongkham, 35, from Pennsylvania in October.

Detectives have located her 10 year old sister, Kelley Kongkham and are looking for Kimberly. Detectives have evidence that they are in the Fort Lauderdale/South Florida area and are concerned for her safety due to the mother's instability. Detectives are urging the mother to turn the child over to a responsible person or the authorities immediately.

The mother, Tammy Kongkham, does not have the means necessary to care for the children based on information obtained throughout the investigation. Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Tammy and Kimberly Kongkham are urged to contact Detective Kathy Collins at 954-828-5548 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.



Tammy Kongham

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