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FLPD ATTEMPTING TO IDENTIFY ROBBERY SUSPECT

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The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a robbery that occurred on Monday, July 3 at approximately 6:15 PM. The incident occurred in the 600 block of Northwest 2nd Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed the victim, a cab driver, picked up the suspect, a B/M, in the 200 block of Northwest 7th Street at approximately 5:49 PM. The suspect asked to be driven to Northwest 31st Avenue and Northwest 19th Street. As they arrived, the suspect changed his mind and asked to be driven to a secondary location, the 600 block of Northwest 2nd Street.

Once there, the suspect seated in the right rear seat, reached over and grabbed the victim's cell phone and an undisclosed amount of U.S. Currency from his left front shirt pocket. A struggle ensued between the victim and the suspect. The suspect then exited the vehicle and left in an unknown direction.

The victim is identified as Genrikh Blinster, W/M, 06/07/1949, a resident of the City of Pompano Beach.

Through this investigation, detectives have learned the suspect provided false contact information when calling the cab.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact Detective Erik Kirtman at 954-828-6070 or Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

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