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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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BURGLARY ALERT (Police request help from the public)

** Sketch Attached

UPDATE:

On Sunday, February 24, 2008 at approximately 7:15pm, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department received a call from a citizen stating a man entered her residence, possibly through an unlocked door, and confronted the elderly couple. When the male resident demanded he leave immediately, the suspect indicated he had a weapon then fled the residence with stolen property. No one was injured and the suspect was not captured.

Detective believe that this suspect may be the same person responsible for three other crimes in the area based on similarities that cannot be released.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department reminds citizens that it is better to call the police if something looks suspicious than to not call at all. If it doesn't look right, it probably isn't.

Anyone who may have seen something suspicious or who may have information regarding these crimes is encouraged to contact Detective Lisa Cahir at 954-828-5964 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

ORIGINAL RELEASE:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is requesting help from the public in identifying a suspect who burglarized an occupied residence with the intent to commit a crime, sexual in nature. This incident occurred on February 8, 2008 in the area east of Federal Highway, between Sunrise Boulevard and Broward Boulevard. Two days prior, February 6, 2008, a burglary occurred of an occupied residence in the same area. Detectives are checking into a possible connection between the two burglaries.

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A third incident took place on February 12, 2008 at approximately 7:15pm in the neighborhood of Lake Ridge. In that case, the suspect gained entry through an

unlocked door and confronted the resident. Property was taken and the suspect fled from the scene.

The suspect has been described as a black male, 20 - 30 years of age, approximately 6'2" tall and weighing 200 pounds. He was wearing a "doo rag" on his head and may have been armed.



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