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### **FBI, SDPD, DA's OFFICE ANNOUNCE RESULTS OF LONG-TERM GANG INVESTIGATION**

(San Diego) San Diego Police, the FBI and the District Attorney's office today announce the arrests of 10 suspects. These suspects are the subject of a long-term, joint task force investigation with the goal of dismantling the leadership of one of the largest African-American gangs in San Diego. These suspects are charged with crimes ranging from narcotics and firearms trafficking to conspiracy to commit murder.

Taken into custody today were: Ronald Deloach, 37, Jason Wickware, 28, Anthony Liggons, 46, Danny Neabors. These individuals were targets of the original investigation. Six additional targets were arrested throughout the course of this investigation. Also arrested today during service of search warrants were Marion Roberts, 41, and Willy Avery, 54. In addition to the arrests, officers recovered \$12,000 in cash, a small amount of narcotics and five pit bulls trained for dog fighting. The dogs were taken into custody by Animal Control officers.

This effort is another example of the ongoing success in our strategy to reduce gang violence in San Diego. The tireless work of SDPD Gang Unit detectives and officers, along with the work of the Violent Crimes Task Force, FBI agents and the District Attorney's Office is a testament to the effectiveness of creating joint, inter-agency partnerships.

The following individuals will be available for interviews at today's conference:

Chief William Lansdowne, SDPD  
Kathy Leodler, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, FBI  
Lt. John Leas, Street Gangs, SDPD  
Lt. Manny Guaderrama, Street Gangs, SDPD  
Sgt. Andy Rios, Violent Crimes Task Force, SDPD

**The news conference is scheduled for 2 p.m. today at SDPD Headquarters.**

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