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IDENTITY THEFT SUSPECT SOUGHT

(San Diego) SDPD Central Division detectives are asking for assistance from the public in identifying and locating an identity theft suspect who used a stolen credit card number at eight local businesses.

Between August 25 - 27, 2007 a Hispanic male in his mid to late 50s, 5'6" - 5'8" with a medium build and receding hairline used a fraudulently manufactured credit card and stolen credit card number. (Photos of the suspect can be found on page two of this news release.)

In addition, on August 26, 2007, the suspect booked a room at a downtown hotel. He and some accomplices stole \$10,000 worth of Bang & Olufson audio/video equipment and speakers from their room. They also charged \$2,000 worth of drinks and services to the room using a fraudulent credit card.

The suspect also fraudulently purchased gift cards which were used to buy thousands of dollars worth of merchandise at several businesses throughout the county. The suspect has since used, sold or given away the gift cards and they have all been used in the Orange and L.A. county areas.

Anyone with information on the location of this suspect should call the **Crime Stoppers anonymous toll-free tip line at (888) 580-TIPS** or Detective David Iorillo at Central Division at (619) 744-9514. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a **\$1,000** reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest in this case.

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