



**Porterville Police Department
Press Release**

Incident: Fraud, Burglary, Conspiracy
Date/Time: August 23, 2008 / 1530 P.M.
Location: 383 East Date Avenue, Porterville, CA (Sun Lines Handy Mart)
Suspect: **Joanne Ayala** (10-15-84) Tulare resident
Jessica Gaytan (10-31-81) Tulare resident

Narrative:

Porterville Police Officer J. Gong responded to Sun Lines Handy Mart at 383 East Date Avenue regarding subjects **attempting to cash fraudulent checks.**

Officer Gong arrived and contacted **Joanne Ayala** and **Jessica Gaytan**. It was determined that Ayala and Gaytan were attempting to cash checks which were in fact fraudulent.

During the investigation, additional suspects were identified as being a part of a larger conspiracy and organization which Ayala and Gaytan were a part of.

The investigation is on-going and additional arrests are anticipated.

Both Ayala and Gaytan were arrested and booked at Bob Wiley Detention Facility regarding charges of Forgery, Fraud, Conspiracy, and Burglary.

Investigating Officer
Officer J. Gong

Supervisor
Sgt. D. Barteau