

Porterville Police Department Press Release

Incident: 11358 HS (Cultivation of Marijuana)

12020 PC (Possess Dangerous Weapon)

Date/Time: May 6, 2008 @ 5:06 p.m.

Location: 200 block of West Orange Street, Porterville

Suspects: Richard Soria, 27 years, Porterville resident

Narrative:

Officers with the Porterville Police Department's Neighborhood Crime Suppression Unit were contacted by the Tulare County Probation Department in regards to marijuana plants located inside a residence during a routine probation search.

When NCSU officers arrived they seized (2) marijuana plants and additionally located an illegal "billy club". The marijuana plants, if allowed to grow to maturity, had the potential of yielding about one pound each of processed marijuana with a total estimated street value of approximately \$1500.

The suspect was identified as Richard Soria who was located nearby and arrested without incident. Richard was later transported to the Tulare County Jail where he was booked on the listed charges.

<u>Investigating Officer</u> Officer In Charge Brian Nix **Supervisor**