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For Immediate Release:

Today's Date: September 26, 2008
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Report # : 08-10912
Incident Date: September 26, 2008
Incident Time: 12:50 P.M.
Incident Location: 3600 SW 42nd Street, Gainesville, Florida

ARMED ROBBERY:

Deputies were called to the Extended Stay America around 12:50 p.m. this afternoon after the clerk reported an armed robbery. According to the initial information, the suspect jumped the counter area and demanded money from the three clerks at the location. The suspect was described as a black male, wearing a dark in color shirt pulled up over his mouth and was armed with a silver handgun. The suspect demanded money from the clerk. They complied with this request and provided him with an undetermined amount of money. The suspect fled the location on foot. No one was injured during this event.

A witness at a neighboring business saw the suspect run from the hotel and was able to get a partial license number and vehicle description. This description was provided to responding deputies, as well as officers from the Gainesville Police Department. Sheriff's Office Field Service Tech Martine Davis was able to construct the legitimate license plate number from the partial provided.

Lt. Schibuola, of the Gainesville Police Department, observed a vehicle matching the description provided by witnesses. Gainesville Police Sgt. Fitzgerald and Officer Murphy also observed the vehicle and attempted to stop it. The Officers attempted to stop the vehicle in the 400 block of SE 9th Street. At that point the driver of the vehicle stopped and attempted to flee on foot. After a short foot chase in which the suspect fled into an apartment that was not his, he was apprehended and charged with burglary and possession of narcotics. Items found in the vehicle link the suspect to the armed robbery at the Extended Stay America.

Arrested and charged with Burglary at this time is B/M, IVERY Jr., Reginald J., 6/14/85, of Gainesville.