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SHOOTING INCIDENT UPDATE – SECOND SHOOTER APPREHENDED OUT OF STATE

FAIRBANKS, Alaska

The second shooter involved in the shooting on Droz Drive on October 6th has been apprehended today in Nashville, Tennessee. James Arthur Allen, DOB 02/16/97 of Fairbanks, was taken into custody by US Marshalls for the Fairbanks indictment, according to Detective Peyton Merideth. On 10/16/15 Allen was indicted by a grand jury on Misconduct Involving Weapons I, Misconduct Involving Weapons II and two counts of Assault in the Third Degree.

On 10/06/15 shortly before 7:00 PM Fairbanks Police Department received reports of gunfire in the area of Droz Drive. One witness reported seeing a black Dodge Charger fleeing the area. A single residence appears to have been targeted and was struck by gunfire with multiple rounds penetrating the structure. The residence was occupied by two subjects however neither was hit by gunfire or injured during the shooting.

The suspect vehicle was later located, unoccupied, and it was determined there were two shooters. One of the shooters was contacted and identified as Christopher Ryan De La Merced Jr., born 05/02/95, of Fort Wainwright. Merced was subsequently arrested and charged with multiple counts of assault and weapons misconduct. He is currently being held at Fairbanks Correctional Center without bail.

Anyone having information about the shooting, please contact Detective Peyton Merideth at 907.450.6592.

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