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MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: Tuesday January 30, 2018 **LOCATION: Watsonville, Ca**

TOPIC: CASE NUMBER: 18S-00536

INVOLVED SUBJECTS:

1. Name: Jovanni Fernandez **Arrested: [X] Yes**

DOB: 18 years **Charges: 664/187 PC & 186.22 P.C**

Address: Watsonville Ca

VICTIM(S)

INFORMATION:

On Tuesday January 30, 2018 Santa Cruz Police Investigation Section arrested Jovanni Fernandez of Watsonville, Ca and conducted a search warrant of his residence and vehicle in the city of Watsonville. Jovanni Fernandez was identified as being involved in a shooting that occurred in the city of Santa Cruz on January 20, 2018, near the intersection of Soquel and Branciforte Ave.

The Santa Cruz Police began its initial investigation on January 20, 2018 when patrol officers responded to reports of shots fired in the area of Soquel Ave and Branciforte Ave. Patrol Officers located the vehicle in the area, with three occupants. The vehicle was struck twice by gunfire. None of the occupants were injured. Witnesses in the area reported seeing a white VW Jetta with multiple occupants fleeing the area on Soquel Ave.

The investigation of the shooting is ongoing, with the assistance of the Santa Cruz County Gang Task Force and the Santa Cruz County District Attorney's Office. Giovanni was booked into county jail for multiple counts of attempted murder, along with a gang and firearm enhancement.

If anyone has any information regarding this case please call the Santa Cruz Police Department Investigation Unit @ (831) 420-5820.

For additional information, contact: Lt. Warren Barry **Phone: (831) 420-5859**

To Leave ANONYMOUS information regarding this incident, please call our TIP LINE (831) 420-5995.

BY: Lt. Warren Barry **Authorized By: _____**

DATE: **Date: _____**