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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: Counterfeit Currency Date: 07/19/2007

From: Sergeant Campbell Case or Incident #: Multiple

Summary:

Since 06/14/2007, the Juneau Police Department has received four reports of counterfeit currency being passed in Juneau. In essence, four different businesses reported receiving fake US currency. The denominations included \$100.00, \$50.00, and \$20.00 bills.

It is unknown how much counterfeit currency has been passed, but based on the four reports the amount appears to be under \$500.00. The quality of the fake currency is fairly poor, but businesses and citizens are advised to be on the lookout for fake US currency.

The Juneau Police Department is actively investigating these reports. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Juneau Police Department immediately.

***** Update 07/27/2007 *****

On 07/12/2007, officers served several search warrants at an apartment on Nowell Avenue. During the search officers seized a desktop copier, counterfeit United States currency, and the original bills used to make the forgeries. One suspect, a 20 years old male Juneau resident, was identified and interviewed.

On 07/26/2007, officers located a second suspect. The second suspect, a 22 year old male Juneau resident, was interviewed at the Juneau Police Department.

The investigation was a joint operation between the Juneau Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigations. The investigation is ongoing and charges are pending against both suspects.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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