



## MEDIA RELEASE

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**VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Incident:** Possession of Stolen Vehicle Arrest

**Location:** Bristol Road / Mandrill Ave

**Date/Time Occurred:** 2/3/17 0129

**Officer(s) Involved:** VPD Patrol

**Suspect(s):** Salvador Morales, 26 Long Beach Resident

**Report #:** 17-01557

**Narrative:**

On the above date and time, a Ventura Police patrol officer observed a suspicious vehicle in the parking lot of Motel 6 located at 3075 Johnson Drive. The vehicle in question was occupied by the sole driver later identified as Salvador Morales. As the vehicle exited the parking lot of the motel and began driving northbound Johnson. The officer conducted a registration check on the vehicle and learned it had recently been stolen from the city of Long Beach.

The officer began broadcasting the vehicles location and requested additional officers to assist. A traffic enforcement stop was conducted in the area of Bristol Road and Mandrill Avenue. The driver of the vehicle complied with orders and was taken into custody without incident.

A search of the vehicle revealed an altered key was used to start the vehicle. A search of Morales revealed he was in possession of several altered/shaved keys. Morales was transported and booked at Ventura County Jail.

*The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at [www.venturapd.org](http://www.venturapd.org)*

*If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.*

*If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.*

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