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Police Arrest Two Suspects for Child Abduction

On 6/13/2016 at approximately 9:00 p.m., Colonial Heights Police responded to the 200 block of Lakeview Park Road for a reported Child Abduction. Upon arrival, officers met with the mother of a 7 year old child. The victim's mother told police that a suspect identified as Travis D Bennett, whom she had been in a prior relationship with, came to her home accompanied by two other suspects identified as Travis Harvey and Troy Patterson. The suspects forced entry into her home and attempted to force her and her child to leave with them. The suspect was able to force the child into the vehicle, however the mother was able to get away and contact police. During the incident the suspects also took several personal items belonging to the victim, including her cell phone.

Virginia State Police and the FBI were contacted and an Amber Alert was in the process of being issued for the child. Shortly before midnight the suspect was located by police officers in Weldon, NC. The child was found safe and returned to her mother.

Colonial Heights Police are in the process of extraditing two suspects who are currently incarcerated in North Carolina. Travis Deon Bennett, b/m, 33 years of age, a resident of Roanoke Rapids, NC has been charged with Felony Abduction. Troy Elmore Patterson, b/m, 19 years of age, a resident of Roanoke Rapids, NC has been charged with Felony Abduction. Travis Donell Harvey, b/m 31 years of age, a resident of Roanoke Rapids, NC is currently wanted for Felony Abduction and is believed to be in North Carolina. The case is still under investigation and additional charges are pending. Police ask that anyone who has any information regarding this incident to contact the Colonial Heights Police Department at 804-520-9300 or Chesterfield/Colonial Heights CrimeSolvers at 804-786-0660.

The Colonial Heights Police Department appreciates all the assistance from the Virginia State Police, FBI, North Carolina Highway Patrol and the Weldon, North Carolina Police Department as all agencies made for a safe return home for this child.

A photograph of Travis Deon Bennett is attached to this release.

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Travis Deon Bennett