## Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Press Release

## (Title of Crime/Incident) 11360 H&S [Transportation of marijuana for sale]

**Report Number:** 2015-00775

**Coroner Number:** 

**Crime/Incident:** 11360 H&S [Transportation of marijuana for sale] **Location:** 1300 Block of South State Street, Ukiah Ca

When: Date: 01-10-2015 Time: 2:21 AM

**Victim Info:** 

Name Age Street Address City, State

Suspect Info:

**Street Address** City, State Name Age 25 St. Charles, Mo Suspect #1: Cody Batchelor Suspect #2: 19 Hawthorne, Ca Martin Lopez Suspect #3: Francisco Villa Kelseyville, Ca 30

Written by: Sergeant Andrew Porter

Synopsis: On 01-10-2015 at approximately 2:21 AM, a Deputy with the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office stopped a U-Haul

truck bearing Arizona license plates in the 1300 block of South State Street in Ukiah, California for a vehicle code

violation.

When the U-Haul stopped, a second Honda CRV bearing California plates stopped and was believed to be a trailing vehicle.

Upon contacting the driver and passenger of the U-Haul, there was a strong odor of marijuana emitting from the storage compartment.

An additional Deputy contacted Martin Lopez, who was driving the Honda. There was a strong odor of marijuana emitting from the Honda as well.

The occupants of the U-Haul were found to be Cody Batchelor (driver) and Francisco Villa (passenger).

All three subjects were detained and both vehicles were searched.

The U-Haul contained approximately 50 pounds of processed marijuana. The Honda contained paperwork connecting Lopez to the U-Haul and it also contained a small amount of marijuana.

All three subjects were booked into the Mendocino County Jail for suspicion of transporting marijuana for sale and were to be held in lieu of \$50,000.00 bail.

**Approved By:** Captain Greg Van Patten

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