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ROBBERY

On March 15, 2007 at approximately 1:38 p.m., members of the Plano Police Department Tactical Team, assigned to a Specialized Bank Robbery Deployment Unit, were on surveillance in the 1100 block of East Plano Parkway. A white male subject, wearing a baseball cap and a long sleeve shirt, was observed as he exited the American National Bank at 1101 East Plano Parkway.

As this suspect walked westbound across Avenue K, Plano Public Safety Communications received a robbery alarm in progress at the bank. After a short foot-chase in the field across from the bank, deployment personnel took this individual into custody. A second suspect in a motor vehicle behind the building complex west of the bank was also arrested.

The money taken from the bank was recovered from the white male subject at the time of arrest. This individual is believed to be the "Paper Sack Robber" and may be tied to other recent robberies of Plano area banks.

A Detective from the Crimes Against Persons Unit received information from the Crime Analysis Unit and studied the trends of recent bank robberies in the Plano area.

As a result of this analysis, specially trained and equipped members of the Emergency Services Unit Tactical Team and the Intelligence Unit deployed at strategic locations. These officers took the suspects into custody immediate after the robbery.

The identity of both of these individuals will be released at a later date. This investigation is currently on-going.