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Press Release

On 9/21/17 at approximately 2:00am, Ofc. McCain was patrolling the area of Route 1 at Brookridge Lane when he observed a vehicle driving through the cul-de-sac neighborhood. Due to recent car burglaries in the area, he turned around to investigate and observed a laptop bag and other personal items thrown into the street that was not there when he first passed the area. Ofc. McCain initiated a motor vehicle stop on the the vehicle and determined the three occupants, Malik Innocent (18), Mary Pham (18), and Vincent Aceto (18), all from Bridgeport, had been entering unlocked cars in the the area. They were in possession of electronics, tools and other personal items that belonged to the residents on both Brookridge Lane and Jefferson Drive in Guilford. All three occupants were taken into custody.

Malik Innocent was charged with Larceny in the 4th Degree 53a-125, Burglary in the 3rd Degree 53a-103, Interfering with Police Officers 53a-167a, Conspiracy to Commit Larceny 4th 53a-48/53a-125, Conspiracy to Commit Burglary 3rd 53a-48/53a-103.

Mary Pham was charged with Conspiracy to Commit Larceny in the 4th Degree 53a-48/53a-125 and Conspiracy to Commit Burglary in the 3rd Degree 52a-48/53a-103.

Vincent Aceto was charged with Larceny in the 4th Degree 53a-125, Burglary in the 3rd Degree 53a-103, Conspiracy to Commit Burglary in the 3rd Degree 53a-48/53a-103 and Conspiracy to Commit Larceny 4th 53a-48/53a-125.

All three suspects were held on $2500 bonds and arraigned in New Haven Superior Court on 9/21/17.

This incident is currently under further investigation to determine if the suspects are involved in other similar incidents in Guilford and surrounding shoreline communities. Anyone with information is encouraged to call the Guilford Police Department at 203-453-8061.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind citizens to always lock their vehicles, to remove or secure any items of value, and to always report suspicious activity, no matter how insignificant it may seem.