

Police Reassure Public After 2nd Armed Robbery

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A second armed robbery which took place over the weekend has prompted the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service (RCIPS) to issue a warning to those responsible; officers are doing all they can to identify you and bring you to justice.

The message comes following the robbery of a security guard in the early hours of Sunday morning. The 911 Emergency Communications Centre received information at approximately 12.15am that a security guard had been robbed behind Hard Rock Caf? in George Town. Police responded to the scene and were told that the man had been working alone when he was approached by two masked men, one of which appeared to be carrying a handgun. The victim told police the offenders demanded he hand over anything he had.



He gave the men a number of items including a wallet and a bag and the men made off on foot. The victim was not hurt in the incident. One of the offenders is described as slim while the other was of medium build. Both are described as dark skinned, wearing dark masks and dark clothes and were each around 5ft 8ins to 5ft 9ins tall.

"This is the latest robbery which has involved offenders carrying weapons of some sort," commented Chief Inspector Peter Kennett of the Criminal Investigation Department, "and we are doing all we can to identify these people and bring them to justice."

The RCIPS is taking a number of measures to solve these cases and prevent more from occurring including examining forensic evidence, analyzing intelligence and reviewing disruption strategies and deployment of resources.

"We are looking at all cases to see if they could be connected and if there is any pattern or similarity. It's a little early to say for sure if we are looking for the same men or different men in each case," commented Mr Kennett. "What we can say is that we need to identify these offenders before someone gets seriously hurt."

Residents and businesses are also being asked to do all they can to lessen the chances of becoming a victim of robbery. "Businesses should consider reviewing their security measures, such as cash handling procedures, staff training and the use of CCTV and alarms," advised Mr Kennett. "All residents should be mindful of their surroundings at all times and report any suspicious activity to police immediately."

Jewelry Stolen

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The Royal Cayman Islands Police Service (RCIPS) is appealing for information in relation to a number of items of jewellery stolen from Richard Black Coral Jewellery Store on South Church Street.

Police were alerted to the break-in at 4.50am on Thursday, August 7. Officers attended and found that at some point overnight a forced entry had been made and a number of items of jewellery were taken.

Detectives from CID would like to hear from anyone who may have found some black coral jewellery discarded or anyone who has been offered items for sale. Anyone who can assist should contact Detective Constable Angela Scarlett on 916-6592. Residents should be advised that officers will be able to identify and separate the stolen items from any items that are not connected.