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ARREST REPORT

City County Adult Juvenile Sector/Beat M2

ID/EVENT#		ARRESTEE'S NAME (Last, First, Middle)				S.S.#	
		FADEL, ARFAT ABDO					
ARRESTEE'S ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, Zip Code)							
UNKNOWN							
CHARGES:							
KIDNAP, NRS 200.320							
ROBBERY, NRS 200.380							
BATTERY WITH SUBSTANTIAL BODILY HARM, 200.481-28							
CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT ROBBERY, NRS 200.380							
BATTERY WITH INTENT TO COMMIT ROBBERY, NRS 200.400-2							
OCCURRED: DATE		DAY OF WEEK		TIME	LOCATION OF ARREST (Number, Street, City, State, Zip Code)		
06-18-08		MON		0718	CCDC		
RACE	SEX	D.O.B.	HT	WT	HAIR	EYES	PLACE OF BIRTH
W	M		6-00	180	BLK	BRO	BUFFALO, NY

CIRCUMSTANCES OF ARREST

OFFICERS INVOLVED:

Sgt. S Junge, [REDACTED]
 Det. M. Dosch, [REDACTED]
 Det. K. Long, [REDACTED]
 Det. K. Lorson, [REDACTED]
 Det. H. B. Twigg, [REDACTED]
 Det. K. Jordan, [REDACTED]
 Det. M. Fisher, [REDACTED]
 Off. K. Tomaso, [REDACTED]
 Off. E. Johnson, [REDACTED]

OTHER LVMPD PERSONNEL:

ID Specialist D. Horn, [REDACTED]

VICTIM:

Walker, Javon Lataff

[REDACTED]

WITNESSES:

Herman, Lindsey Shae

[REDACTED]

Day, Gary Edward Jr.

[REDACTED]

CONTACTS:

Abbott, Joel Emmanuel

[REDACTED]

ARRESTING OFFICER(S)		P#	APPROVED BY	CONNECTING RPTS. (Type or Event Number)
M. DOSCH		[REDACTED]	Lt. Nichols [REDACTED] 06-24-08 @ 1830 hours	Arrest package event [REDACTED]

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Lewis, Ryan McKinley

[REDACTED]

Granstedt, Alicia

[REDACTED]

Gonzalaz, Tiffany

[REDACTED]

Hetland, Jori

[REDACTED]

EVIDENCE:

Item 1 of 3:

Video surveillance

Item 2 of 3:

Blue jeans

Item 3 of 3:

Pair of shoes

DETAILS:

On June 16, 2008, at approximately 0718 hours, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) Dispatch received a 9-1-1 call from a citizen reporting a subject down in a driveway located near the intersection of Winnick Avenue and Koval Lane. The caller described the subject as a black male, in his late 20s, wearing a black shirt and blue jeans. The subject was laying on his back and appeared to be unconscious.

Emergency personnel, including police, responded to the scene. The subject was subsequently transported to Sunrise Hospital with obvious signs of facial trauma. Officers at the scene reported no crime scene. At the hospital Officer Johnson identified the subject as Javon Lataff Walker. Walker had regained consciousness but had difficulty answering questions due to his state. Walker had suffered a fractured jaw and a fractured right orbital bone. Officer Johnson completed a report for "Sick or Injured Person" under event [REDACTED]

Detectives from the Violent Crime Section continued the investigation throughout the morning and into the early afternoon. During which time Detective Twigg spoke to Walker's friend, identified as Ryan Lewis, via telephone. Lewis, who was at the hospital with Walker, stated Walker was alert and had provided some details as to what occurred. According to Lewis, Walker stated he was at the Bellagio Hotel and Casino when he was approached by two unidentified males. The males escorted Walker to their vehicle. Walker recalled very little after that and realized he was missing several items of jewelry and unknown amount of US currency.

After it was determined that Walker was the victim of robbery, the investigation was turned over to the Robbery Section for investigatory responsibility. Detective Long and I immediately began contacting those persons associated with Walker, starting with Lewis. Lewis was able to provide a fairly comprehensive time line from the evening of June 15th into the morning of June 16th. See Lewis' transcribed statement.

After eating dinner at an unknown restaurant within the Bellagio Hotel and Casino, Walker, Lewis and two females, identified as Tiffany Gonzalaz and Jori Hetland, went to the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino via taxi. Once at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino they parlied at the Body English nightclub and, later, at an after-hours party known as Dorm Days. Dorm Days was sponsored by Body English and located in the penthouse suite. From all accounts there were no confrontations, fights or arguments at either venue between Walker's group and other patrons.

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Between Body English and Dorm Days, Walker and Lewis gambled in the high-limit gaming area. Walker and Ryan gambled for approximately 15 minutes. Walker bought in for \$2,300.00 and won \$1,600.00. Walker left the blackjack table with \$3,900.00 in Hard Rock Hotel and Casino gambling chips. Included in the chips were three \$1,000.00 yellow chips. From the moment Walker entered Body English to the moment he left valet, Walker was accompanied by security guard identified as Joel Abbott. Abbott works for the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino.

According to Abbott, Walker at no time cashed in his gaming chips. In fact, as Walker and Abbott were walking to Dorm Days, they walked past the casino cage. Abbott asked Walker if he wished to cash out and Walker told him he would do it later. See Abbott's transcribed statement. Walker and his group eventually concluded their night of partying and proceeded to the valet area where a Hard Rock Hotel and Casino house vehicle, an Escalade, was summoned. The driver, identified as Gary Day, was directed to drive the group to their next destination. That destination was the Bellagio Hotel and Casino.

Prior to leaving valet, Walker met with a friend identified as Lindsey Herman. Walker told Herman to follow them to the Bellagio Hotel and Casino. The Escalade carrying Walker and his entourage exited the south end of the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino at approximately 0543 hours before turning west on Harmon. Herman followed in her vehicle. As the Escalade approached Las Vegas Boulevard South an argument ensued between Lewis and Walker. Walker became so upset that when the Escalade came to a stop for a red light, he exited the Escalade. Walker got into Herman's vehicle and the two left. While all this was going on, Day observed a black Range Rover suspiciously stopped behind him. Unfortunately Day was unable to see the driver of the Range Rover.

Lewis instructed Day to continue onto the Bellagio Hotel and Casino. Moments later the Escalade arrived in the east valet area. See Day's transcribed statement. Walker and Herman drove north on Las Vegas Boulevard South to Flamingo Road. Herman concluded Walker needed to get back to his hotel and drove him to the north valet entrance of the Bellagio Hotel and Casino. Herman and Walker arrived in the north valet area at approximately 0548 hours. As they arrived in the valet, so did a black, late-model Range Rover.

The Range Rover was occupied by two male suspects both of whom were wearing white shirts. When Walker exited Herman's vehicle, someone from the Range Rover called his name. Walker walked to the Range Rover and engaged the suspects in conversation. Herman sat down on a bench and waited for Walker to finish speaking to individuals in the Range Rover. Herman did not know either of the Range Rover's occupants but described the driver as a Pakistani male.

Shortly thereafter the suspect seated in the right front passenger seat exited the Range Rover and approached Herman. Herman stated the suspect made several unwanted comments to her. Simultaneously Walker entered the Range Rover and sat in the right front passenger seat. The Range Rover left the valet area at approximately 0553 hours only to return one minute later. When they returned the driver and Walker exited, met up with the other suspect and briefly entered the casino area. Within a minute, both suspects and Walker exited the casino and re-entered the Range Rover. At approximately 0558 hours the Range Rover left the Valet area. The driver got into the driver's seat, Walker got in the right front passenger seat, and the second suspect sat directly behind Walker in the right rear passenger seat.

Herman subsequently exited the casino and realized Walker was gone. Herman left and went home. At home Herman received a phone call from Walker. Walker stated he was at Drai's. Drai's was a nightclub located in Bill's Gambling Hall (formerly the Barbary Coast Hotel and Casino). Walker asked Herman to pick him up. Herman drove to Bill's Gambling Hall and parked on the second floor of the parking structure. Herman made several calls to Walker cellular telephone that went unanswered. After approximately 10 minutes of waiting, Herman left and went home a second time.

At approximately the same time, Gonzalaz called Walker's cellular telephone to check his welfare. Walker answered the phone and Gonzalaz noted his speech was garbled. It was a brief conversation but Gonzalaz did hear male voices in the background. Walker did not tell Gonzalaz where he was. Walker would be found robbed and beaten approximately 68 minutes later.

Detectives responded to the Bellagio Hotel and Casino, the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino and Bill's Gambling Hall to secure video surveillance. While reviewing video surveillance from Bill's Gambling Hall, Detective Long was able to establish that the Range Rover never arrived on property following its departure from the Bellagio Hotel and Casino. Detective Long, however, did discover that the same Range Rover arrived at Bill's Gambling Hall at approximately 0510 hours.

The same driver depicted in the Bellagio Hotel and Casino video surveillance exited the vehicle and entered the hotel. The suspect gambled for approximately 19 minutes. At approximately 0532 hours, the suspect is on his cellular telephone, exits the casino and walks deliberately to the Range Rover. As the Range Rover left the parking garage video surveillance captured the vehicle's license plate. It was California registration [REDACTED]. Additionally, video surveillance from Hard Rock Hotel and Casino showed the same Range Rover driving through the south valet twice. On the second pass, the Range Rover followed the Escalade off the property.

A records check on the registration showed it was a 2006, Land Rover Range Rover. The vehicle was registered to Alicia Granstedt, [REDACTED]. A records check on Granstedt through LVMPD Law Records Management System

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(LRMS) developed a possible suspect of Arfat Fadel [REDACTED]. When I compared Fadel's recent booking photos to the video surveillance I concluded Fadel was the driver.

On June 18, 2008, at approximately 1352 hours, Detective Lorson and I met with Walker at Sunrise Hospital. Detective Lorson read verbatim the photo line-up witness instructions to Walker. I had prepared the photo line-up previously with Fadel in the number three position. Also included in the photo line-up were five other men exhibiting similar physical characteristics as Fadel. Walker viewed the photo line-up and identified Fadel as one of the two suspects.

Walker stated after he got out of Herman's vehicle he heard people calling his name from a black sport utility vehicle. Walker approached the vehicle and was eventually lured inside. Walker remembered there were at least two suspects in the vehicle both of whom were males. Walker described the driver as having a white shirt. Some time thereafter Walker was grabbed from behind by his neck.

The suspects immediately demanded money and jewelry. Walker complied and began removing jewelry from his person. Walker was unable to recall what happened next and when he finally realized what was going on he was in a hospital bed at Sunrise Hospital. Taken from Walker was a watch, necklace and diamond earrings. The jewelry had a collective value of \$100,00.00. Also taken was \$3,000.00 in US currency, two credit cards in Walker's name and Hard Rock Hotel and Casino gaming chips. See Walker's transcribed statement.

On June 19, 2008, at approximately 2154 hours, I met with Herman at the Jet nightclub. I read verbatim the photo line-up witness instructions to her. I had prepared the photo line-up previously with Fadel in the number three position. Also included in the photo line-up were five other men exhibiting similar physical characteristics as Fadel. Herman viewed the photo line-up and was unable to make an identification. Herman assigned a 50% possibility to the person in position number one and 50% possibility to the person in position number three (Fadel). Herman eliminated the people in positions two, four, five and six as possible suspects.

On June 20, 2008, detectives were in the area of the 1500 block of E. Flamingo Road when they spotted the Range Rover. The vehicle was parked on the west side of the Extended Stay Hotel located at 1550 E. Flamingo Road. Detectives established visual surveillance on the vehicle. Detectives confirmed Fadel was renting a room at the hotel and was scheduled to check out later that day. Shortly thereafter Fadel and Granstedt were observed exiting the hotel and walking toward the Range Rover. Both were taken into custody without incident.

Detective Long and I interviewed Granstedt at the scene which was recorded. Granstedt denied involvement in any robbery. Granstedt was never told who the victim in the robbery was. Granstedt was shown video surveillance stills from Bill's Gambling Hall. The photos were of Fadel and her vehicle. I asked Granstedt if she recognized the male subject in the video, she stated it was Fadel. I then asked Granstedt if she recognized a vehicle in the stills and she said it was her Range Rover.

I asked Granstedt where she was at the time of the robbery and she said she was home packing. She and Fadel had been served with a three-day eviction notice on Friday, June 13th on their foreclosed home. I asked Granstedt who had the Range Rover and she said Fadel. Granstedt stated Fadel left the house about midnight in the Range Rover and did not return until between 8:00 and 9:00 am. Granstedt recalled Fadel being in a hurry when he got home. Fadel gave Granstedt two Hard Rock Hotel and Casino \$1,000.00 gaming chips and instructed her to cash them. Granstedt stated she cashed the gaming chips somewhere around 10:00 am. Fadel and Granstedt do not have jobs and no known source of income. See Granstedt's transcribed interview. Video surveillance from the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino confirmed Granstedt cashed in two \$1,000.00 gaming chips on June 16th.

A check through LRMS revealed a phone number for Fadel [REDACTED]. In much of video surveillance Fadel was observed on his cellular phone believed to be connected to the above phone number. A records check on that phone number for incoming and outgoing phone calls on June 16th showed a lot of activity. However, between 0617 hours and 0649 hours there was a noticeable absence of activity. This was when the robbery and beating of Walker was most likely occurring.

Fadel was arrested for battery domestic violence and kidnap which was connected to an unrelated event. The event number was [REDACTED] and Granstedt was the victim. Fadel was transported to the Clark County Detention Center (CCDC) where I observed he was wearing the same blue jeans and shoes from the robbery. The pants were distinct due to the fact the area covering the knees was frayed and worn out. The pants and shoes were recovered and impounded by ID Specialist Horn. An inspection of the jeans showed small stains that appeared to be blood. A field test performed by ID Speciality Horn confirmed it was blood. A DNA comparison was later requested.

Detective Lorson and I interviewed Fadel at CCDC reference the robbery. Prior to questioning, I advised Fadel of his Miranda Rights. Fadel stated he understood his rights and agreed to speak with us. Fadel was shown the same surveillance stills that were shown to Granstedt. I showed Fadel a picture of himself in the Bill's Gambling Hall casino and asked him if he recognized anybody in the picture. Fadel stated he did not. I then showed Fadel a picture of his Range Rover's license plate and asked him if he recognized the vehicle. Fadel stated he did not. I asked Fadel where he was on Monday June 16th and Fadel responded by asking me if I knew where I was last Monday. Fadel was argumentative, confrontational and evasive throughout the entire interview. Finally, Fadel asked for his attorney and all questioning stopped. See Fadel's transcribed statement.

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In conclusion, Fadel and his unidentified accomplice clearly and methodically lured Walker into the vehicle as he represented a easy target due to his level of intoxication. While in the vehicle one of the suspects placed an unknown object around Walker's neck while a demand for money and property was made. This action made it impossible for Walker to escape as he was now being held against his will for the express purpose of committing robbery. Despite Walker's compliance, the suspects continued to use force to facilitate the crime. Walker was beaten so bad he suffered a fractured jaw, a fractured orbital bone and a concussion. Therefore, on June 24, 2008, I re-booked Fadel for Kidnap, Robbery, Battery with Substantial Bodily Harm, Conspiracy to Commit Robbery and Battery with Intent to Commit Robbery.