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CAL-MMET/SOL-NET TEAM CONFISCATE MARIJUANA Solano County Sheriff's Office

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A search warrant was executed on a residence in unincorporated Solano County, Vallejo on Tuesday evening. At approximately 6:45 p.m. the Solano County Sheriff's Office Cal-MMET/Sol-NET unit (California Multi Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team/Solano Narcotics Enforcement Team) conducted the search on the 1000 block of Orchard Avenue.

Upon entering the residence, law enforcement personnel discovered a marijuana grow operation. The grow consisted of 66 live plants, 19 dried plants, and processed marijuana. Also discovered was evidence of marijuana for sales, to include a digital scale and packaging materials. There was no indication of anyone living in the home.

Further investigation and evidence directed law enforcement to an additional residence on the 300 block of Farragut Street in the City of Vallejo. This residence also contained a marijuana grow site consisting of 8 live plants, processed marijuana, and evidence of marijuana for sales, to include a digital scale and packaging materials. Also seized from the residence was \$7,400 in cash. The total weight of processed marijuana from both residences was 7 pounds and 4 ounces. The estimated street value of the live plants is that of approximately \$465,000, with the processed marijuana being estimated at approximately \$37,000.

43-year-old Robert Allen Mast was arrested at the Farragut residence and booked into the Solano County Jail, where is he is being held on bail of \$28,333. His charges consist of conspiracy, marijuana cultivation, and sales. He is scheduled to appear in the Solano County Superior Court on January 15, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. 50-year-old Mark Quentin Barsotti of San Pablo was also arrested in association to this investigation and booked into the Solano County Jail. He was later released on a posted bail of \$28,333.00.

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