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NEWS RELEASE

Incident Date and Time: Wednesday March 1, 2017, between 10:45pm to 11:10PM
Location: University Caltrain Station, City of Palo Alto
Type of Crime/Incident: Sexual Assault

SUSPECT: Unknown suspect

SUMMARY:

On Wednesday March 1, 2017, between 10:45pm to 11:10PM an unknown suspect approached an adult female victim who was waiting at the Marguerite Stanford bus kiosk located on the southbound platform of the University Caltrain Station in the City of Palo Alto.

The suspect began speaking with the victim and while doing so sexually assaulted her. The victim pushed herself away and the suspect grabbed her to keep her from leaving.

The victim defended herself by fighting the suspect off. The suspect immediately ran away towards University Avenue. The victim was not injured.

She described the suspect as a Hispanic male, approximately 35-40 years old, standing 5'6"-5'8" and weighing 190-210 lbs. He was wearing a green hooded sweatshirt with yellow writing on it, light brown or beige pants, dark colored tennis shoes and was carrying a black backpack. He was also described to have a short haircut and a full beard that was trimmed.

This case is still under investigation. The Sheriff's Office reminds all passengers to be aware of their surroundings. Don't get distracted by electronics. Stand or wait in well-lit areas or areas where you can be seen or see others.

Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to call Det. Mike Baron at (650) 622-8053 or e-mail him at Mbaron@smcgov.org. Those who wish to remain anonymous, can call the **Sheriff's Office Anonymous Tip Line at 800-547-2700**

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