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Media Release

Incident: Impersonating Sheriff's Deputies
Location: City of Columbia
Date & time: October 15 and October 19, 2015
Case Number: CPD case numbers 15-011723 & 15-011871

Details:

In two separate incidents within the past week, suspects have worn hoodies and/or shirts with the words "SHERIFF" on them, and used commands identifying themselves as "Sheriff's Department," to aid in the commission of at least one crime.

The first incident occurred October 15, 2015 at about 11:45 pm in the 3200 block of Martha Drive. The victim, a 24 year old male, arrived home was confronted by two armed suspects yelling, "Sheriff's Department, get on the ground." The victim was subsequently robbed of several items, but was not injured. The suspects in this incident are described as follows; #1, a dark-skinned black male in his mid-twenties, approximately 6'2" tall, 230 pounds, armed with a long-gun wearing a shirt with the words SHERIFF on it. Suspect #2 is described as a light-skinned black male, approximately 5'7" tall and 180 pounds, wearing a blue bandana over his face and a dark colored hoodie. Suspect #2 was armed with a handgun.

The second incident occurred last night, October 19, 2015 at about 10:04 pm in the 200 block of Sieville Avenue when Columbia Police responded to a suspicious person call. Witnesses reported seeing a white Chevy Malibu occupied by three black males. The black male subjects exited the car and were all wearing dark colored hoodies with the word SHERIFF on them, and also wearing some type of face coverings. The subjects were possibly carrying weapons and ran around behind a building, before running back to their vehicle and leaving in an unknown direction of travel. There are no known crime victims related to this incident.

Anyone with information on either of these two incidents is asked to call the Criminal Investigative Division of the Columbia Police Department, the Investigations Unit of the Boone County Sheriff's Department, or Crimestoppers if they wish to remain anonymous.

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Release authorized by: Maj. Tom Reddin

