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THREE ARRESTED AFTER SELLING STOLEN ITEMS TO AN UNDERCOVER OFFICER

On Thursday, September 25, 2008, Sacramento County Sheriff's Hi-Tech Crimes Detectives began an investigation into stolen 250 GB hard drives being sold on Craigslist.

As detectives began investigating the information from the complaint and Craigslist.com, they located an ad for the sale of 250 GB hard drives. The ad listed the hard drives as being sold on a first come, first serve basis and included a phone number to call if interested.

Detectives conducted an undercover operation in an attempt to purchase the stolen hard drives. The undercover operation took place on the 5600 block of Auburn Blvd and consisted of Sheriff's Detectives posing as prospective buyers for the hard drives. During the operation, detectives purchased two stolen hard drives and arrested the first suspect, Eduardo Quiroz, who facilitated the sale. Upon further investigation into the residence where the sale took place, detectives arrested two more individuals, Edgar Hoffman (45) and Lynda Hoffman (41). All three suspects were arrested for internet fraud, receiving stolen property and criminal conspiracy.

If you have any information about this investigation or the suspects, please contact Sacramento County Sheriff's Hi-Tech Detectives at (916) 874-3002 or crime alert at (916) 443-HELP. You may remain anonymous and be eligible for up to at \$1,000.00 reward.

Photographs of the suspects will be posted on the Sacramento County Sheriff's website at www.sacsheriff.com.

Sergeant R.L. Davis
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