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San Francisco Police Arrest Suspect in Attempted Armed Robbery 21-042

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On February 18, 2021 at approximately 5:05 PM, San Francisco Police Officers from Mission Station responded to a report of an armed robbery at a hardware store on the 2000 block of Market Street.

The victims, a 27-year-old and 53-year-old female, told officers that the suspect entered the business, demanded money, and displayed a semi-automatic firearm. The suspect manipulated the slide of the firearm as if chambering a round. During the interaction, the suspect put the gun away and brandished a collapsible baton. When one of the victims yelled out for another employee to help, the suspect fled the store. The victims did not surrender any money and they were not injured.

Shortly after the incident, a crime alert containing surveillance image of the suspect was circulated within the Department. An investigator saw the crime alert for the robbery and realized the subject was similar in appearance to the suspect wanted in connection with the grand theft of a diamond ring from a pawnshop on the 2400 block of Mission Street on October 29, 2020.

At approximately 6:50 PM, just under two hours after the hardware store robbery, members of the Northern Station Street Crimes Unit observed a man matching the suspect description on the 800 block of Eddy Street. The officers detained the

subject at Van Ness Avenue and Willow Street.

Through the course of an investigation, the subject was identified as the robbery suspect from the hardware store. Officers seized a replica semiautomatic firearm from his waistband, and a collapsible baton from his pant pocket. Other evidence was also seized.

Necho Goins, age 26 of San Francisco was later booked on the following charges: Attempted Robbery (664/211 PC), Brandishing a Deadly Weapon, Other than Firearm (417(a)(1) PC), Possession of a Burglary Tool (466 PC), Unlawful Possession of a Baton (22210 PC), Brandishing an Imitation Firearm in a Public Place (20170(a) PC), and an arrest warrant for the theft of the ring from the pawn shop, Violation: 487(a) PC, Bail \$5,000.

Investigators are working to determine if Goins is responsible for other unsolved robberies.

While an arrest has been made, these investigations remain active and ongoing. Anyone with information is asked to call the SFPD Tip Line at [1-415-575-4444](tel:1-415-575-4444) or Text a Tip to [TIP411](sms:4155754444) and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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