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**Press Release**

To: Area media outlets

From: Hampton Police Department

Re: Arrest of Two Suspects Related to Conspiracy to Commit Theft

**HAMPTON, NH-** The Hampton Police Department has arrested and charged a Dorchester, MA and a Dominican Republic man in connection to a theft investigation in Hampton.

On June 13, 2022 at approximately 5:06 pm, the department received a call from a residence on Mill Road stating that they believed that they may have been the victims of fraud.

The reporting party told responding officers that they had received a phone call from a person pretending to be a grandchild of the alleged victim. The person told the alleged victims that they had been in an accident and that the family would be contacted by an attorney for money.

Another person, pretending to be an attorney, advised the alleged victims that their grandson was hurt in the accident and was at fault for hitting a pregnant woman. The person told the alleged victims that they needed \$9,500 to help their grandson. The alleged victim withdrew the money and paid it to two men who were identified as the collectors of the money.

After this exchange, another request was made to pay an additional \$20,000. After another attempt was made to withdraw funds from the bank, the teller grew suspicious and worked with the alleged victim to hold off on the transaction and reach out for clarification on the situation.

The alleged victim's grandson eventually made contact with her and confirmed that he was not in an accident.

After failing to withdraw the higher amount from the bank, the alleged suspects made another request to withdraw \$9,500.

The alleged victim contacted the Hampton Police Department and members of the Criminal Investigation Division devised an operation to apprehend the suspects. At

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approximately 6:20pm, Detectives identified two males as they arrived at the residence and placed them into custody. The two men were identified as:

**Junior Samuel Ricart Fortuna, 19**  
**Dominican Republic**

**Luis Osmar Brito Urbaez, 32**  
**Dorchester, MA**

Both men were charged with Conspiracy to Commit Theft. They were booked and held pending arraignment in the Rockingham County Superior Court on June 14, 2022. At their arraignment, both men were ordered held on \$25,000 cash bail and required to surrender their passports.

This case has been turned over to the Rockingham County Attorney's Office for prosecution. Any further media inquiries will be directed to that office.

Anyone with information related to this incident is urged to contact the Hampton Police Department at 603-929-4444. Anonymous tips can be made through the Crimeline for the Hamptons at 603-929-1222.

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