CATHEDRAL CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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On Monday August 1, 2016 about 0030 hrs a Hispanic, male, adult about 5-4 and 130 lbs entered the 7-11 located at 68490 Dinah Shore armed with a knife. The suspect demanded cash from the employee but the cashier refused. The man then took handfuls of Trident Chewing Gum and Chapstick and fled the scene on foot, northbound on Cathedral Canyon.

Officers responded to the scene but the suspect was able to get away without getting caught. However, the employee recognized the suspect from previous incidents.

Follow up investigation was conducted and a suspect was identified. Additional investigation led to officers locating the suspect on Sunday August 7, 2016 about 1440 hrs. Officers contacted the suspect, Nelson Omar Portillo (26 yrs old) of Cathedral City and arrested him without incident.

Anyone with additional information regarding this case can email to info@cathedralcity.gov, or call Det. Nate Hanley at 760-770-0313.

