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## Press Release

### BurglaryCopper Theft Arrests

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27 Oct 08 at 1:11 AM Officers Jay Hatfield and Andrew Mease were dispatched to a residence in the 600 blk. of St. Joseph Street regarding a possible trespassing report. Upon arriving officers heard banging and movement in the basement portion of the residence.

Officers made entry into the residence and found a pile of copper piping piled up at the rear door to the residence.

While inside the residence officers found Jason MALDONADO M/22 and Juan RODRIGUEZ M/19 hiding in the third floor of the residence. The two suspects were taken into custody. While checking the remaining portion of the residence officers found copper piping that had been removed from the basement along with a saw and a pipe cutter.

Officers J. Hatfield and Mease interviewed the subjects who stated they entered the property to remove the copper piping (valued at approx. \$2,500.00), for the purpose of selling the copper as scrap.

As a result of this incident Officers J. Hatfield and Andrew Mease charged RODRIGUEZ and MALDONADO with Burglary (F-1), 1 count of Criminal Conspiracy to Commit Burglary (F-1), 1 count Criminal Conspiracy to Commit Theft (F-3), Theft by Unlawful Taking (F-3), and 1 count of Possessing Instrument of a Crime (M-1) before Magisterial District Judge Cheryl Hartman. RODRIGUEZ and MALDONADO were arraigned this morning. Both were committed to Lancaster County Prison in lieu of \$100,000.00 (10%) bail.

Additional information on those arrested:

1.) Jason Ariel MALDONADO 22 yrs.old  
618 Lafayette St.  
Lancaster, PA

2.) Jaun Alexis RODRIGUEZ 19 yrs. Old  
434 E. King St.  
Lancaster, PA

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