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Burglar & Possible Police Impersonator Off The Streets

Miami, FL – On April 20, 2012 Miami Beach Detectives received information that Yusdel Fernandez was involved in a burglary, entering the victim's home which was tented by a pest control company for fumigation by cutting openings into the fumigation tent. Upon gaining access to the home, Fernandez cut a hole into the victim's safe and stole approximately \$300,000.00 in jewelry.

The investigation led detectives to the Seybold Building in Downtown Miami, where they gathered surveillance video of Fernandez selling numerous jewelry pieces, which were to be melted down. Detectives continued their investigative leads and obtained a warrant for Fernandez's residence.

After executing the warrant, Detectives recovered multiple jewelry pieces, some of which belonged to the victim, as well as other pieces that are believed to be stolen. Also discovered by Detectives within Fernandez's residence, were a black "POLICE" shirt, a gold badge and two black ski masks.

Fernandez has an extensive criminal history with arrests for, auto theft, vehicle burglary, residential burglary, possession of burglary tools, possession of narcotics, loitering and prowling and possession of a concealed firearm.

"The arrest of Yusdel Fernandez takes a hardened criminal off the streets of Miami Beach," said Chief Raymond A. Martinez. "Our community is safer today thanks to the great police work by the detectives in the Miami Beach Criminal Investigations Unit."

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