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TWO SUSPECTS ARRESTED FOR DRUG DISTRIBUTION

SUSPECT #1

JUAN ALBERTO SALINAS (H/M; 07/05/1994)

7925 CAPITOL ST

HOUSTON, TX 77012

CHGS: STOP SIGN VIOLATION, DISTRIBUTION OF A SCH I CDS TO WIT MARIJUANA APPROX. 78 LBS.

SUSPECT #2

LANCE JAMES COWANS (W/M; 06/14/1978)

836 FOX LN

ST. ROSE, LA 70087

CHGS: PWITD A SCH I CDS TO WIT MARIJUANA APPROX. 79 LBS, -PWITD A SCH II CDS TO WIT COCAINE, POSS. OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA, POSS. OF FIREARM IN PRES. OF CDS, POSS OF SCH II CDS-6 COUNTS, POSS. OF LEGEND DRUG-2 COUNTS, TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING PROCEEDS FROM DRUG SALES, POSS OF SCH IV CDS-2 COUNTS, POSS. OF SCH III CDS-3 COUNTS

Sheriff Greg Champagne reports that information was received from the DEA in reference to Juan Salinas transporting drugs from Houston to a residence in St. Charles Parish. Further investigation led to a traffic stop on Salinas, where he was found in possession of Marijuana.

A search warrant was then conducted on the residence of Lance Cowans, who was the friend that Salinas was visiting. During the search of the St. Rose residence officers located two handguns, seventeen long rifles, multiple digital scales, material used to package and distribute Marijuana, \$36,880 in U.S. Currency, approximately 79 pounds of Marijuana, and several other controlled dangerous substances.