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PRESS RELEASE

Release Date: 7/31/2013

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Type of Incident: Arson

Location: Main and Olive

Date/Time of Occurrence: 7/28/13

Case Number: 2013-011212

Details:

On July 28th, 2013, shortly after the conclusion of the Vans US Open of Surfing, a large disturbance took place in the downtown area of Huntington Beach which included numerous fights, acts of vandalism, thefts, burglary and several arson fires. The disturbance ultimately required the response of approximately 250 police officers to control.

Follow up investigation is ongoing regarding crimes that were committed during the disturbance. With the help of information provided by the public, we identified Illario Niko Johnson, DOB 3/19/95 from Chino California, as one of the participants who was setting fires on Main Street.

Today, detectives from the Huntington Beach Police Department arrested Johnson for felony arson, PC 451(D), inciting a riot, PC 404.6a, participating in an unlawful assembly, PC 408, and refusing to disperse when ordered, PC 409.

Johnson was booked into the Huntington Beach City Jail pursuant to an arrest warrant for the above listed charges on \$20,000 bail. The Huntington Beach Police Department remains committed to identifying and arresting anyone engaged in unlawful behavior occurring during this incident. We greatly appreciate all the assistance members of the public have provided.

Any questions regarding this arrest, call Sergeant Jerry Abrahams at 714-536-5649.