



INGLEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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ARREST MADE IN SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ASSAULT

On Friday August 27, 2010, an Inglewood Police Department Special Enforcement Officer (SEO) was assaulted by a male and female adult after issuing a parking citation in the shopping center located in the 2700 Block of Imperial Highway.

At approximately 10:40AM, the SEO observed an unoccupied 1994 Honda parked in a stall designated for police parking only. The SEO completed a citation and placed it on the unoccupied Honda. As the SEO was returning to her vehicle, she was approached by a male and female subject who questioned the SEO regarding the citation and asked if the citation can be taken back. The SEO pointed to the posted sign and informed the subjects that the citation could not be recalled.

The male subject became extremely upset when he realized the citation could not be recalled and began yelling profanities at the SEO. After moving the Honda, the male subject entered the SEO's city vehicle and moved it. The male then walked toward the SEO, confronted her and grabbed her around the waist. A struggle ensued and at some point the female, who was sitting in the Honda reached out and struck the SEO.

The SEO pleaded multiple times with the male to release her however the male refused. Fearing for her safety, the SEO struck the male in the face with her portable radio. The male at that time forcibly slammed the SEO onto a planter. The male returned to the Honda and both he and the female left the shopping center in the Honda.

As a result of the investigation, Gardena resident Obele, Ifeakandu Chindiebere and Los Angeles resident Gibson, Morgan Alice LeAnn were identified as the subjects responsible for the assault. At approximately 5:00 PM that evening, Inglewood Police Officers arrested both Obele and Gibson as they drove up to Gibson's residence in the Honda. Obele and Gibson were booked into the Inglewood Police Department jail where they remain pending a court appearance on August 31, 2010.

The SEO was treated at a local hospital for her injuries and released.

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The Police Department is asking anyone that may have witnessed the incident to call the IPD Assault section at 310 412-5247, or the 24-hour anonymous hotline number “**888-41-CRIME**” (888/412-7463).

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