



**Porterville Police Department
Press Release**

**Incident: Assault with a deadly weapon - Possession of an illegal weapon
Fighting in public – Possible Gang Associations**

Date/Time: January 27, 2009/ 4:45PM

Location: 600 block of North Fourth Street

Suspects:

Gerardo Quintero	18 years old	Porterville Resident
David Luna	19 years old	Porterville Resident
Ignacio Calderon	20 years old	Porterville Resident
Alfredo Gonzalez	20 years old	Porterville Resident

Narrative:

On January 27, 2009, Porterville Police Officers responded to the 600 block of Fourth Street regarding a group of male subjects with bats and knives in a physical altercation.

Officers contacted Victim's who reported they were approached by 18 year old **Gerardo Quintero**, 19 year old **David Luna**, 20 year old **Ignacio Calderon**, and 20 year old **Alfredo Gonzalez**, confronting the Victims about their gang affiliation.

The Victims related they were not gang affiliated at which time two of the suspects brandished bats and a knife. A physical altercation broke out between Alfredo Gonzalez, who instigated the fight with one of the Victims. Gonzalez received minor injuries to his face as a result of the victim who was defending himself.

All four suspects were identified as **associated southern gang members** and were arrested on assault and illegal weapon charges. Ignacio Calderon was later charged with vandalism to a Porterville Police Department jail cell during the booking process.

All four suspects were booked at Tulare County Jail.

Investigating Officer
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Supervisor
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