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# SFPD Investigates Underground Gambling Operations in the Tenderloin 25-013

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Investigation Leads to 4 arrests and the seizure of multiple gambling machines, Over 30k in U.S. Currency and Various Narcotics

Over the past month, the SFPD Narcotics Unit conducted an investigation of three businesses that were operating as illegal gambling facilities. On January 28, 2025, at approximately 4:26 p.m., San Francisco Police officers conducted a search warrant service at the businesses located on the 400 block of Ellis Street and the 300 block of Jones Street.

During the search warrant service, investigators detained several subjects. Officers conducted a search of the premises and seized evidence of illegal gambling, including several illegal gambling machines, over \$30,000 in U.S. currency, suspected narcotics, and over 80 items suspected to have been stolen in organized retail theft.

Officers developed probable cause to arrest four adult males for violations related to operating an illegal gambling parlor, outstanding arrest warrants, and narcotics. 11 others were cited for misdemeanor violations.

25-year-old Hicham Haddaj of San Francisco was booked on charges of methamphetamine for sale (11378 H&S), operating or maintaining a drug house (11366 H&S), participating in illegal gambling (330 PC), resisting or delaying arrest (148(a)(1) PC), receiving stolen property (496(a)PC) and knowingly permitting illegal gaming or gambling (331 PC).

22-year-old Donald RedmondHayes of San Francisco was booked on charges of 2 counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell (11351 H&S), possession of sedatives for sale (11375(b)(1) H&S), false impersonation (529(a)(3) PC), participating in illegal gambling (330PC).

34-year-old Matthew Satawake of San Francisco was booked on charges of participating in illegal gambling (330 PC) and participating in betting or wagering (337a PC)

38-year-old Jaime Gomez-Macias of San Francisco was booked on charges of (496(a) PC), (11366 H&S), (330PC), (331 PC) (330B(a)PC).

Although arrests have been made, this remains an open and active investigation. Anyone with information should contact the SFPD at  $\underline{1-415-575-4444}$  or  $\underline{Text\ a\ Tip}$  to  $\underline{TIP411}$  and begin the message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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