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SFPD Make Arrest in Taraval Kidnapping

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On March 23, 2017, at approximately 5:00 PM, a 13 year old girl was walking on the unit block of on Forest Side Avenue. The victim saw a white male walking towards her. The suspect grabbed the victim and pushed her into his vehicle, while making threats. The victim screamed, drawing the attention of several witnesses. The witnesses came to the aid of the victim and were able to free her from the suspect's vehicle. The suspect fled the scene heading southbound on Forest Side Avenue.

Officers from Taraval Police Station responded to the scene and commenced an investigation. Officers provided a description of the vehicle to Dispatch which was subsequently broadcast. Taraval units began searching the district for the vehicle. Special Victims Unit investigators responded to the scene and began their extensive investigation.

At approximately 10:30 PM, two Taraval officers spotted a vehicle that matched the description of the vehicle involved in the kidnapping. The vehicle was located in the Taraval District. The officers subsequently conducted a felony stop on the vehicle. The driver of the vehicle, 26 year-old San Francisco resident Lee Mason Eigl, was positively identified as the suspect involved in the kidnapping. Eigl was taken into custody without incident and was booked for kidnapping and assault with intent to commit rape on a person under 18 years old. Due to pending identification matters, the subject's photo will not be released at this time.

The San Francisco Police Department thanks the good Samaritans who acted quickly to save the victim and provided the department with pertinent information which assisted in the suspect's arrest.

Although an arrest has been made, investigators are asking anyone with information on this case to contact the San Francisco Police anonymously at 415-575-4444 or text-a-tip to TIP411 with SFPD at the start of the message.

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