

Massachusetts State Police Air Wing and Haverhill Police taken suspects into custody in Lynn following Rte. 93 pursuit

At 9:08 a.m. today Troop A dispatch received information from Haverhill Police Department that they were looking for a black Mercedes that was stolen from a dealership in Haverhill. Haverhill Police had the vehicle stopped when the operator fled at a high rate of speed onto Route 495.

At 9:20 a.m. Sergeant Sweeney of the State Police observed the black Mercedes reported stolen out of Haverhill on Route 93 southbound south of Exit 42 in Andover. Sergeant Sweeney activated his cruiser's emergency lights and attempted to stop the Mercedes, but the driver refused to stop. A pursuit was authorized with Troop A Headquarters assuming command and control. The pursuit was terminated at Commerce Way.

At 9:30 a.m. on Route 93 Southbound south of Route 95/128 in Woburn the Mercedes is again located and a pursuit was authorized to stop the vehicle with Troop A Headquarters assuming command and control. The vehicle flees again and a tire deflation device is attempted without success. The operator of the Mercedes takes the Exit 32 off ramp to Route 60 and the pursuit is once again terminated.

At 9:34 a.m. a Trooper working a paid detail was turning around on Auburn Street in Medford when he observed the operator of the Mercedes come to a stop. The Trooper exited his cruiser and ordered the operator to stop. The operator of the Mercedes drove away striking the Trooper, his cruiser and

another vehicle in the process. The Trooper drove himself to a local hospital for evaluation.

At 1:00 p.m. the Mercedes is located in Lynn on Pond Street by the Massachusetts State Police Air Wing. Utilizing marked and unmarked cruisers the vehicle was followed and four individuals were taken into custody without incident.

The driver, JONATHAN CESAR, 18, of Malden, and three passengers YOSVANI HERNANDEZ, 18, of Somerville and Two Juveniles were charged with:

Receiving stolen motor vehicle.

The incident is under investigation and more charges may follow.