Massachusetts Troopers arrest two for Trafficking Cocaine, Fentanyl and Possession of Stolen Firearm

Shortly before 5 p.m. yesterday, a Trooper assigned to the Troop D Community Action Team was on patrol in Fall River. As he was traveling on South Main Street he observed a Chevrolet Traverse with heavily tinted windows. The Trooper followed the vehicle then activated his blue lights and subsequently stopped it as they approached Columbia Street.

After the vehicle stopped the Trooper approached it to speak with the operator, identified as SAVON GONSALVES, 21, of Fall River, who eventually informed the Trooper that his license was suspended. Several other Troop D CAT members arrived on scene to assist in removing GONSALVES from the vehicle, who was then placed under arrest. While removing him, Troopers observed numerous indications that he may have recently taken part in the sale of illegal narcotics. Troopers then removed the passenger, identified as SERENA SILVA, 20, of Brockton, from the vehicle as well.

After a short investigation on scene Troopers located 15 grams of a substance suspected to be Fentanyl and 50 grams of a substance suspected to be Cocaine. They also located a loaded .45 caliber Springfield Armory pistol which an electronic inquiry had shown to be stolen. Neither occupant of the vehicle possessed a license to carry firearms. SILVA was also placed under arrest.

Both GONSALVES and SILVA were transported to State Police-Dartmouth where they were booked. A bail commissioner was contacted and set bail at \$100,000 for both. They were later transported to Bristol County House of Correction where they remained until their arraignment at Fall River District Court on the following charges.

SAVON GONSALVES:

- 01. Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended License;
- 02. Improper Storage of a Firearm;
- 03. Possession of a Firearm;
- 04. Possession of a Firearm without FID Card;
- 05. Carrying a Loaded Firearm;
- 06. Possession of a Firearm During Commission of a Felony;
- 07. Possession of Ammunition without FID Card;
- 08. Trafficking in Cocaine;
- 09. Trafficking in Fentanyl;
- 10. Conspiracy to Violate Drug Law;
- 11. Conspiracy;
- 12. Firearm Violation with Prior Violent/Drug Crime; and
- 13. Receiving Stolen Property under \$1200.

SERENA SILVA:

- 01. Improper Storage of a Firearm;
- 02. Possession of a Firearm;
- 03. Possession of a Firearm without FID Card;
- 04. Carrying a Loaded Firearm;
- 05. Possession of a Firearm During Commission of a Felony;
- 06. Possession of Ammunition without FID Card;
- 07. Trafficking in Cocaine;
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- 12. Receiving Stolen Property under \$1200.