



# Pembroke Pines Police Department



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## MEDIA RELEASE

**ASSIGNED PIO:** Amanda Conwell

**DATE OF MEDIA RELEASE:** 11/13/2019

**TIME OF MEDIA RELEASE:** 9:30 a.m.

**CASE NUMBER:** PPPD19OFF067950

**CHARGE/INCIDENT:** Armed Robbery, Aggravated Fleeing and Eluding, Aggravated Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer.

**DATE OF OCCURRENCE:** 11/12/2019

**TIME OF OCCURRENCE:** 2:22 p.m.

**PLACE OF OCCURRENCE:** 7900 Johnson Street, Pembroke Pines FL

**SUSPECT(S) - NAME, AGE, DOB, RACE, SEX, ADDRESS:**

1) Ariel Garcia; 24-year-old; DOB 03/29/1995; Black Hispanic Male; 6640 SW 26<sup>th</sup> Court, Miramar FL

2) Christian Jacob Messiah Reign Menelas; 17-years-old; DOB 09/27/2002; Black Male; 6611 SW 26<sup>th</sup> Court, Miramar FL

**VICTIM(S) - NAME, AGE, DOB, RACE, SEX, ADDRESS:**

1) Adult Female

**INCIDENT SUMMARY:**

\*\*\*\*\*UPDATE – November 13, 2019, 9:30AM\*\*\*\*\*

Following our initial investigation, the vehicle passenger was positively identified as the suspect involved in the armed robbery at 7900 Johnson Street. The vehicle passenger, identified as 17-year-old Christian Jacob Messiah Reign Menelas, has been taken into custody on Armed Robbery charges.

Our investigation remains on-going, and further charges may be pending to both suspects.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact the Pembroke Pines Police Department at 954-431-2200, email to [tips@ppines.com](mailto:tips@ppines.com), or call Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.



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On November 12, 2019, at approximately 2:22PM, Pembroke Pines Police Department responded to an armed robbery that had just occurred at 7900 Johnson Street.

Our initial investigation revealed that while the victim and a friend were playing basketball, the suspect removed her phone from the ground nearby. When the victim approached the suspect he removed a black pistol from his waistband and told the victim to get back. The suspect entered a white four door Chrysler and fled east on Taft Street.

Through investigative means, detectives were able to determine the tag of the white Chrysler. Further investigation revealed that the vehicle was registered to an address in the city of Miramar. While at that address, detectives observed the vehicle and attempted a high risk traffic stop. The vehicle fled the area, nearly striking one of the detectives.

Pembroke Police initiated a pursuit, but lost sight of the vehicle. A short time later the vehicle was observed in the 6600 block of County Line Road by a Miramar Police officer who continued the pursuit. The vehicle crashed into a pole in the area of NE 163 Street & NE 7 Avenue in North Miami Beach. A perimeter was established around the area and the driver was subsequently taken into custody in the 600 block of NW 163 Street.

The driver of the vehicle is identified as Ariel Garcia (DOB 03/29/1995). It is unknown at this time if the driver is the suspect in the armed robbery. Pembroke Pines Police Detectives are furthering the investigation and information will be released as it becomes available.

Contact was made with a vehicle passenger, but no arrest has been made at this time.

Pembroke Pines Police Department is appreciative to our law enforcement partners for their assistance in this case.