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Investigators seeking additional victims of sexual assault suspect

SANTA ANA, Ca. (Jan. 16, 2024): OC Sheriff Special Victims Detail investigators are seeking additional victims after arresting a 36-year-old man in connection with several sexual assaults in the cities of Stanton and Long Beach.

On Nov. 26, 2023, the suspect attempted to solicit sex from a 19-year-old female victim and subsequently sexually assaulted her. The suspect also reportedly pointed a weapon at the victim and threatened her. The victim provided a suspect description and a description of the suspect's vehicle.

Through investigative leads and techniques, investigators determined the suspect was also connected with an unsolved sexual assault case from October 2022 in the city of Stanton, as well as an additional unsolved sexual assault case from October 2018 in the city of Long Beach.

On Jan. 9, investigators arrested Sione Mounga Vea, 36, of Anaheim, and booked him into the Orange County Jail on suspicion of multiple felony sexual assault-related charges, kidnapping with sexual assault and assault with a deadly weapon.

Investigators believe there may be additional victims. Anyone with information is encouraged to call 714-647-7000. Anonymous tips can be sent to OC Crime Stoppers at 855-TIP-OCCS (855-847-6227) or at occrimestoppers.org.



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