



# ATF NIBIN Program

## Hit of the Week

November 5 – November 19, 2007

**NIBIN Branch, Firearms Programs Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives**

### **Week of November 5, 2007**

The Jesup, Georgia Police Department using NIBIN linked evidence recovered during a homicide to an individual carrying a weapon. Georgia Police Department responded to a call about a male victim that had been shot and killed, at a local hotel. The crime scene revealed that multiple shots had been fired from a 9 mm pistol. Several shell casings were recovered at the scene and submitted for entry into NIBIN. Three months later, City of Quitman, Police Department Officers responded to a reported incident of a fight involving guns. Officers interviewed a victim who stated that he was beaten by a suspect who fled the scene before the police arrived. Using a description of the suspects and their vehicle, officers conducted an investigation stop of a vehicle that fit the description. After the officer approached the car and asked for identification, he detected the odor of burnt marijuana. The officers got the driver's consent to search the car and saw a hand gun and a magazine with fourteen rounds of ammunition. The recovered weapon was submitted for test firing and imaged into the IBIS system at the ATF Laboratory in Atlanta, Georgia. This weapon was a match to the ballistic evidence recovered at the homicide that occurred three months earlier.

### **Week of November 12, 2007**

The Sacramento Police Department using NIBIN linked evidence recovered at a homicide to a possession of weapons incident. The Sacramento Police Department responded to a call about a fight regarding numerous subjects. When the officers arrived, they located a victim that had been shot and killed. Several shell casings were recovered at the scene and submitted for entry into NIBIN. Two months later, the Sacramento Police responded to a shots fired call at an apartment complex. When they arrived, they spoke with a security guard who stated he saw the male subjects who were involved in the shooting run into an apartment. When the officers approached the apartment and the suspects answered the door, they observed twisted pieces of plastic baggies, commonly used to package narcotics, throughout the apartment. Officers canvassed the apartment and located a loaded revolver, rifle and semi-automatic pistol. The three firearms recovered were submitted for test firing and imaged into the IBIS system at the Sacramento County, California Crime Laboratory. One of the weapons was a match to the ballistic evidence recovered at the homicide that occurred two months earlier.

### **Week of November 19, 2007**

The Salinas (CA) Police Department using NIBIN linked evidence recovered at a homicide scene to an arrest of two men carrying a weapon in their vehicle. The Salinas Police Department responded to a shooting incident on the street. The dispatcher advised the officers that the victim was being driven to the hospital because he had been shot in the chest. The driver of the vehicle informed the officers that when she and her cousin were retrieving things out of their trunk, someone walked up and started shooting at him. He fell into the passenger seat and his cousin drove him to the hospital. The officers went back to the apartment and canvassed the crime scene. Several shell casings were recovered and submitted for entry into NIBIN. Approximately four months later, Salinas Police Department Officers performed a traffic stop. When one of the officers approached the vehicle, he could smell a strong odor of marijuana. The officer conducted a search of the vehicle and located a small portable scale with marijuana residue and a handgun. Both subjects were arrested and transferred to the Salinas Police Department. The firearm recovered was submitted for test firing and imaged into the IBIS system at the Salinas Police Department. The weapon was a match to the ballistic evidence recovered at the homicide that occurred four months earlier.

