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Crime of the Week

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Victim: 31- year Hispanic Male
Suspect: Unknown
Incident #: HPD 73371708
Offense: Aggravated Robbery with a Deadly Weapon
Location: Fairbanks North Houston @ Tidwell
Date / Time: May 19, 2008/4:45 a.m.
Vehicle: Dark-Colored Van, 1999-2001 model, make unknown

Case Description:

On Monday, May 19, 2008 at approximately 4:45 a.m., a 45-year-old Hispanic man driving to work stopped for a red light at the intersection of Fairbanks North-Houston and Tidwell.

Though no other vehicles were nearby, the man waited several minutes for the light to change. During this time a dark-colored van pulled up on his driver's side, even with his back bumper. A Hispanic male in his late twenties, with a medium build and short hair, exited the van and walked up to the back driver-side window, which was open because the air conditioner was broken.

The approaching man pointed a rifle at the driver and demanded that he exit his vehicle. When the driver refused, the man fired the rifle. The bullet passed through the tip of the driver's nose and lodged in the dashboard, where it was later recovered.

The victim was able to drive his vehicle away from the scene and call for help without any additional incident.

The shooter is described as a Hispanic male, 25-30 years old, 5'8" tall, about 160-170 pounds, with short dark hair and a dark complexion. The van was a 1999 – 2001 model, make unknown.

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