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**GUNMAN CONVICTED IN 2005 DAVIS ARMED ROBBERY**

**(Woodland, CA)** – District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that earlier today, a Yolo County jury found East Bay resident Rahat Quraishi, 25, guilty of Robbery and Accessory After the Fact to a Felony. The Jury also found that he personally used a gun during the robbery.

On February 12, 2005, Quraishi and Co-Defendant Masi Mojaddidi used a Sport Utility Vehicle to block the path of a car driven by a UC Davis college student in the parking lot of the University Village Apartments in Davis. Quraishi exited the SUV and walked up to the student while carrying a 9mm pistol while Mojaddidi armed with a knife approached the passenger. Quraishi then pointed the gun at the student and robbed him of his wallet and cell phone while Mojaddidi robbed the passenger of his apartment keys. The victims reported the crime immediately to the Davis Police Department

Less than thirty minutes later, Davis Police Department officers arrested the defendants at a Chevron gas station in Davis. The victims' property was found in the defendants' possession.

On April 7, 2008, both defendants were brought to trial. However, after a jury was selected, Quraishi fired his lawyer and was ordered to return to court with a new attorney. He failed to return to court and was located four months later in San Francisco by members of the San Francisco Police Department's Fugitive Recovery Enforcement Team. Charges for the Failure to Appear in Court are still pending. Mojaddidi plead No Contest to a Robbery charge with an enhancement for use of a knife and was sentenced to 3 years in prison.

Quraishi is scheduled for sentencing in front of Yolo County Superior Court Judge Kathleen White on January 29, 2010 in Department 1 of the Yolo County Superior Court at 9:00AM. Quraishi faces a maximum of 18 years on state prison.

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