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Press Release 2018-10

Subject: Suspicious Device

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On 11/1/2018, at 1:42 PM the Kensington Police Department (KPD) responded to a report of a suspicious device. The device was lying at the bottom of a small hillside adjacent to the Kensington Hilltop Elementary School front parking lot.

The University of California at Berkeley Police Bomb Squad was called to examine the device and render it safe. Due to its construction it was determined to be an incendiary device.

The interior and exterior of the school was secured then searched for secondary devices with bomb sniffing K9's from the East Bay Regional Parks Police and Bay Area Rapid Transit Police. CAL Fire assisted with an incendiary device sniffing K9. No other devices or additional threats were located.

The Kensington Police Department issued a Nixle alert and parents of Kensington Hilltop Elementary School students were notified of the incident through communication by Principal Judy Sanders.

The KPD is working with agency partners including the Kensington Fire Department, Contra Costa County Crime Lab, and the University of California at Berkeley Police Department Bomb Squad on the continuing investigation.

Anyone who was in the vicinity of the front entrance of Kensington Elementary School who may have seen a suspicious person or vehicle, or may have any other information about this incident, please contact Detective Martinez at the above phone number.

No suspect/s have been identified at this time

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