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Press Release

Hoboken Police Department seeks public assistance to identify additional persons of interest in December 2024 shots fired incident

The Hoboken Police Department (HPD) is requesting the public's help in identifying three persons of interest as part of an ongoing investigation into an incident of shots fired on Dec. 19, 2024.

Shortly after the first 9-1-1 calls were made, Hoboken police arrested [18-year-old Elias Mercado of Kearny](#), who remains in the Hudson County Correctional Facility and faces multiple charges including criminal attempted murder.

A follow-up investigation by the Hoboken Police Department's Street Crimes Unit, led by Det. Sgt. William Collins, resulted in the identification of two other individuals wanted in connection with the incident. Criminal complaints have been issued for their arrests, and more information will be released as it becomes available.

As the investigation continues, HPD is working to identify three additional persons of interest, who fled the scene after Mercado fired the shots. Anyone with information about the individuals pictured in the attached photos, including their identities, is urged to email Det. Connor Milne at Milnec@hobokenpdnj.gov or call 201-420-2100 ext. 3126.

The initial press release regarding the incident and Mercado's arrest can be found on the Hoboken Police Department's website at: <https://hobokenpdnj.gov>.