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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: DEANDRE ROCHELL
Auto Thief Sentenced to
8 Months Prison

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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Deandre Rochell, age 24, of Modesto, was convicted of attempted auto theft. Rochell is currently on parole for an auto theft conviction from February 2008 in which he served a prison term. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events which occurred on May 4, 2009 when the defendant attempted to take a 1997 black Honda CRV.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable John Freeland sentenced Rochell to eight months in state prison.

Stanislaus County residents can report suspected vehicle theft activity to their local law enforcement agency or contact the Stanislaus County Auto-Theft Task Force (STANCATT) at: (209) 545-7316.

IF YOU OBSERVE A THEFT IN PROGRESS, DIAL 911

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