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## **ABC INVESTIGATORS AND LOS ANGELES POLICE OFFICERS CONDUCT STING OPERATION IN THE HOLLYWOOD AREA**

**Hollywood**– ABC Investigators along with the Los Angeles Police Department conducted a Receiving Purportedly Stolen Property Sting Operation in the Hollywood area on September 26, 2006.

ABC worked closely with the Los Angeles Police Department because there were numerous complaints about these locations in the community. ABC investigators went undercover to develop information that led to the arrests.

As a result of the month-long undercover investigation, four arrests were made, three for felony violations and one for a misdemeanor. The arrests were made at three liquor stores in the area:

Al's Liquor, located at 5550 Melrose Avenue.  
Studio Liquor, located at 6759 Santa Monica Blvd.  
Stop and Shop Liquor, located at 1123 Vine Street

In addition to the criminal charges against the suspects involved, the Department expects to file accusations against the licensee of each liquor store. Administrative penalties for receiving purportedly stolen property can result in significant suspension time, which may include the actual revocation of the ABC license.

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