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Police Arrest Armed Robbery Suspects

Newark Public Safety Director Anthony F. Ambrose reports the arrests of a man and a woman who robbed three individuals of their money and personal belongings at gunpoint last month.

The suspects, Endia Gaskins, 20, of Newark and John Garner, 19, of Elizabeth lured the victims to Newark, using the Facebook Market site to advertise a car for sale. In the first robbery, which occurred around 4 p.m. on October 18, 2020, the victim told police that he and a cousin traveled from Hamilton to purchase a Nissan Altima from Gaskins.

After a test drive from the 100 block of Lehigh Avenue, Gaskins prevented the victim from getting out of the car when a male suspect, who was in the back seat, pointed a gun at him. The suspects and a second male suspect took the victim's car keys and money from his cousin, who was waiting nearby in another vehicle. Following an extensive investigation by the department's robbery section, Gaskins and Garner were identified as the suspects.

A week later on October 26, 2020, two Jersey City residents met Gaskins at 3 p.m on Schulyer Avenue to purchase a 2012 Mercedes Benz. When they arrived, the victims told police that Gaskins, who was with two other females, pulled out a gun and robbed them of their money, credit card and car keys.

Garner was arrested November 1, 2020 and Gaskins was arrested November 3, 2020. Both were charged with robbery, conspiracy, credit card fraud and numerous firearm-related offenses.

These charges are merely accusations. The suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



Endia Gaskins



John Garner