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Incident: Bank Robber Arrested, Jewelry Robbers Flee

Abbotsford – June 25, 2009.

Abbotsford Police arrested a 44 year old Abbotsford man in relation to a bank robbery that took place just before 6:00 pm on Tuesday, June 23 in the 32800 block of South Fraser Way. Yesterday morning a man approached an Abbotsford Police Patrol officer and indicated that he was involved in the incident. The Patrol Division and Major Crime Section were able to corroborate the man's story through further investigation. He now is expected to appear in court today to face robbery charges.

Yesterday afternoon at 2:00 pm Abbotsford Police responded to a hold-up alarm at a jewelry store in the 32800 block of South Fraser Way. Two men had entered the store and held the staff at gunpoint while they committed the robbery. The men then fled in a black SUV. Plain clothes members from another police agency observed the fleeing vehicle and provided Abbotsford Police with a description. The vehicle was ultimately located unoccupied and set on fire in the area of Townline and Olund roads. A police K9 unit was deployed and officers searched the area. The suspects were described as Indo-Canadian males in their 20's wearing coloured head coverings.   The Abbotsford Police Major Crime Section, Patrol Division and Forensic Investigations Unit are investigating the incident.

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