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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## APD NEWS RELEASE:

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## Incident: APD Seizes \$250,000.00 and a 9mm Handgun in Traffic Stop

## Abbotsford – December 15, 2012.

Last night just after 7:00 pm, an experienced Abbotsford Police Department Bike Squad officer observed a white mini-van travelling very slowly along the Canada – United States border in the Sumas Prairie area of Abbotsford. Inside the van he observed multiple parties including at least two men wearing camouflaged clothing. A traffic stop was initiated at Vye and Whatcom Roads with the assistance of APD Patrol Division officers.

The investigation revealed that the vehicle contained two Canadian and two Mexican citizens. More importantly, the cargo contained in the van included \$250,000.00 in US currency, a substantial amount of Canadian currency and a 9mm handgun with a fully loaded magazine. The Mexican Nationals will be held for Immigration and for possible further criminal investigation. The Canadian pair was released with future charges being considered.

Attached is a photo of the seized items.



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