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Subject: **WITNESSES SOUGHT IN SUSPICIOUS INJURY CASE**

Anaheim Police are seeking witnesses to a suspicious injury case. On Monday evening, February 9, 2009 at about 8 PM, Anaheim Police and California Highway Patrol officers responded to a report of a male lying on the I-5 freeway near Lincoln Avenue in Anaheim. They found a male subject on the shoulder of the southbound I-5 freeway at the end of the Lincoln Avenue on-ramp. He was suffering from major head trauma, was treated by paramedics and transported to a local hospital. The 41 year-old Anaheim resident is not expected to survive his injuries.

Anaheim Police and CHP originally handled this case as a potential traffic accident/hit and run. We later discovered that the male may have been traveling in a vehicle with his girlfriend and they may have been involved in a verbal dispute. It has been reported that as their car, being driven by the girlfriend, was on the freeway on-ramp, the male jumped out of the car. It is unknown why the driver did not stop, leaving the area and failing to report the incident.

Detectives are seeking any witnesses who may have seen the vehicle and/or the victim prior to or at the time of the incident. The vehicle is a 2004 purple Scion 4door passenger vehicle. Witnesses are asked to call detectives at (714) 765-1944.



Photo of 41 year-old victim
(name presently not being released)

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