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Department of the Attorney General will auction forfeited property

(HONOLULU) A public auction of property forfeited to the State of Hawaii will be held on February 23, 2008, in the Pikake room at the Neal S. Blaisdell Center. The property to be sold includes a 2000 Ford F150 Harley Davidson Special Edition Extend-Cab Pickup Truck, a 1999 Dodge Durango 4x4 SUV, a modified Mazda RX-7 turbo, a 1998 Honda Accord 2 Door Coupe, and other vehicles. There will also be a Yamaha 450cc Quad and assorted rims with paddle tires and loading ramps. Other items include laptop computers, electronics, tools, jewelry, an assortment of sports jerseys, and other property.

The property to be sold may be inspected starting at 11:00 a.m. The auction, conducted by Rosen Auctions, will begin at noon. For a list of the property, visit www.rosenauctions.com.

The auction is the result of ongoing efforts by state and county law enforcement agencies to fight crime by seizing and forfeiting assets used or acquired in connection with criminal activities. Assets that were used in, or obtained from, the commission of certain criminal offenses can be seized and forfeited under the state's asset forfeiture law. Taking away the tools criminals use to commit crimes and the profits from those crimes are ways to deter and impede criminal conduct. Proceeds from this auction will be used by state and county law enforcement agencies to combat crime.

Employees (and their immediate family members) of county police departments, county prosecuting attorney's offices, and the Department of the Attorney General are not eligible to purchase forfeited property.

Anyone having information about individuals who are profiting from criminal activity should call the Crime Stoppers hotline at 955-8300.

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