



HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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*****PRESS RELEASE***
For Immediate Release**

On Tuesday June 11, 2019, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced the arrest of 38 year old Rafael Antonio Blanco Trujillo who resides at 9002 South West 137th Street Miami, Florida, and 43 year old Yesenia Margarita Pena Tejada Theodorou who resides at 8373 Lake Drive Miami, Florida, on one felony count of possession of counterfeit instruments.

According to Sheriff Troy Peterson, on Sunday June 9, 2019, Harrison County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop on a white Ford Explorer traveling east bound on Interstate 10 near the 30 mile marker for a careless driving infraction. Deputies made contact with the driver, identified as Blanco Trujillo and passenger identified as Theodorou. During the stop, Blanco Trujillo admitted to being in possession of 74 altered credit cards and 3 credit card scanners used to alter credit card information.

Rafael Antonio Blanco Trujillo and Yesenia Margarita Pena Tejada Theodorou were booked into the Harrison County Adult Detention Facility and each charged with one felony count of possession of counterfeit instruments. Trujillo and Theodorou are both being held in lieu of a \$50,000.00 dollar bond set by Justice Court Judge Brandon Ladner pending their initial appearance.

Investigative Officer: Inv. Anthony Piazza

Arresting Officer(s): Deputy Jerry Thomley

Approved For Release: _____

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi

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