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## Press Release

### **Stolen Vehicle from Westport leads to 7 Juveniles Arrested by Norwalk PD**

(Westport, CT) On 08/09/17, at approximately 3:30am, Westport Officers were dispatched to Chapel Hill Road on a report of a motor vehicle theft in progress. The responding Officer observed a gray GMC Acadia on West Parish Road traveling at a high rate of speed. The Officer attempted to stop the vehicle but it sped off onto the Post Road. The vehicle was traveling eastbound on the Post Road when it turned around suddenly and attempted to strike 2 police vehicles. Officers avoided the collision and the pursuit continued westbound on Post Road East. Westport Officers then terminated the pursuit because the speeds were high and the pursuit was dangerous. A short time later, Norwalk Officers engaged the same vehicle in pursuit which led to the capture of 7 juveniles. Westport Officers will be following up with the appropriate charges for the juveniles.

The Westport Police Department stresses the importance of locking your vehicle and taking your key / fob inside. We have advised multiple times in the past about locking your vehicles, but unfortunately the message is not getting through. As you can see from the events of last night, it is not merely a property crime. Officers, civilians and the suspects themselves are all at risk of injury or death in events such as these. Please remember that the majority of vehicle break ins and thefts occur with unlocked vehicles. Please do your part and lock you vehicle.

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