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## Department of Gaming Deals Another Blow

(Phoenix) – On June 6, 2014 at 8:00 pm, agents from the Arizona Department of Gaming (ADG), Maricopa County Attorney's Office, Mesa Police Department and Phoenix Police Department served simultaneous warrants at two Valley locations:

- (1) Pocket Jacks Poker Room, located at 9123 E. Southern Avenue in Mesa
- (2) Elite Poker Social Club, located at 3632 W. Pinnacle Peak in Phoenix

This is the latest development in an investigation that began earlier this year when law enforcement officers received complaints regarding alleged illegal poker games. After interviewing the owners, ADG recommended that corrective action be taken to prevent further liability. The poker rooms, however, chose not to comply.

Through their investigations, officers gathered evidence suggesting violations of various state gambling statutes, including: possession of gambling devices, benefitting from gambling, promotion of gambling, and possession of gambling records.

Agents seized 8 poker tables and other gambling paraphernalia, several televisions and surveillance equipment, computers, records, cell phones, a .38 caliber revolver and ammunition, and over \$2,000 in cash. The investigations are ongoing and no arrests were made at this time.

This is all of the information available at the moment. We will continue to update the public as the story develops. To report suspected illegal gambling, contact your local police department or ADG at 602-255-3888.