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Law Enforcement Agencies Investigate Suspected Illegal Gambling

(Phoenix) – On December 12, 2013, agents from the Arizona Department of Gaming (ADG), Maricopa County Attorney's Office, Phoenix Police Department, Department of Public Safety and the Glendale Police Department served simultaneous warrants at five locations around the Valley. This was part of a combined effort to pursue concerns over alleged illegal gambling operations throughout Phoenix.

The locations included: *Pocket Rockets* (13048 W. Rancho Santa Fe Road, Suites 115 & 117, Avondale); *Cracked Aces* (15224 N. 59th Avenue, Suite 14, Glendale); *AZ Poker Supply* (6003 N. 43rd Avenue, Phoenix); *Poker Play* (4494 W. Peoria Avenue, Glendale); and *Joker Social Club* (3519 W. Northern Avenue, Phoenix).

Evidence gathered by agents suggests possible violations including: possession of gambling devices, benefitting from gambling, promotion of gambling, and possession of gambling records. Agents seized 11 poker tables and other gambling materials, thousands of poker chips, several televisions and surveillance equipment, computers, records and nearly \$5,000 in cash. The investigation is ongoing and two people were arrested on unrelated charges.

This is all of the information available at this time. 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.