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1.25 ounces of cocaine from traffic stop

street distribution, Duval County Sheriff Romeo Ramirez said.

The cocaine was 1.25 ounces (35 grams). The street value of the drugs is approximately \$2,800, Ramirez said.

"Both subjects occupying the vehicle were charged and arrested for possession of a controlled substance and are currently in the Duval County Jail," Ramirez said. "The officers involved did a great job on the arrest and seizure. We will continue to work diligently to deter criminal activity in our communities before it gets into the hands of our youth."

The evening was also a busy for Deputy Oscar Silva, who seized two vehicles registered out of Houston, which were used in the trafficking of humans, Ramirez said.

The vehicles were seized at 10:30 p.m. in the area of County Road 203 just east of Farm to Market Road 1329. Both vehicles were Ford F-150's, one model year 2000, the other, model year 2001. Border patrol agents were notified and the occupants of both vehicles bailed out into the brush.

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A traffic stop by Duval County Sheriff's deputies yielded 1.25 ounces of cocaine Monday night from a Freer couple, officials said.

Deputy Victor Carrillo conducted a traffic stop on a 2005 Black Ford Expedition shortly after 10 p.m. on State Highway 44. The stop occurred eight miles west of San Diego.

Two people were in the vehicle, Cheryl Lynn Barrera, 28, and Lucio Arredondo III, 23, both from Freer. The vehicle was registered out of Freer.

After Carrillo obtained a consent to search the vehicle, he located and seized four clear plastic baggies containing a white powdery substance believed to be cocaine. Carrillo also found numerous clear plastic baggies, used for packaging controlled substances for

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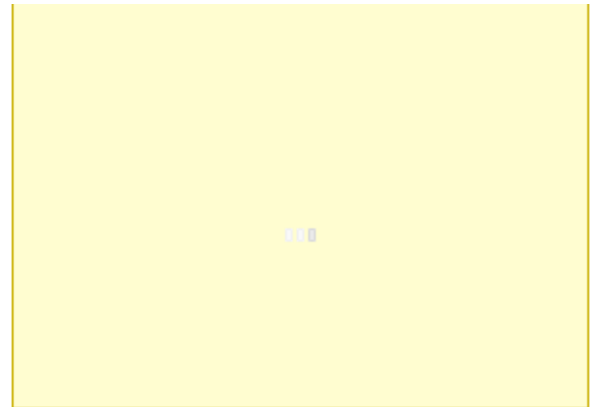
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