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### NEWS RELEASE

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### WON FURNITURE SCAM

Date/Time: December 2007  
Location: Various – El Paso

EL PASO, TEXAS – Investigator's of the El Paso Police Department's Northeast Regional Command Center are advising the public of furniture scam. Detectives say that a Hispanic Male has been approaching residents and telling them that they have won furniture. The man then requests money (\$85.00) for taxes and delivery charges. The man then disappears with the money, never to be seen again. Detectives have information that the man has been seen driving a white 4 door vehicle with Chihuahua, Mexico plates. The man is targeting mostly elderly residents with the scam. As always, the public is encouraged to do their due diligence when approached with offers such as these. Please verify all information and if you suspect a criminal offense please call the El Paso Police Department at 915.832.4400.

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