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Children at Risk – Public and Media Help Requested

Oakland, CA – On July 2, 2012, a three-year-old boy was transported to a local hospital by paramedics after his babysitter reported that he was unresponsive. Oakland police officers and investigators began an investigation due to the extent and nature of injuries and evidence of past physical abuse. The child is currently in a life threatening condition.

The babysitter, stepfather, and mother of the child, all Oakland residents, have been arrested in connection with the case. There are four other minor children associated to the couple, and their whereabouts are unknown. The Oakland Police Department is very concerned for their welfare and we are asking for the public's assistance in locating them at this time. It is believed they are being sequestered by other family members and may be at risk.

The children are:

- Four-year-old Paradise Ghaimah-Medinah Mahasin, an African-American female who suffers from Epilepsy
- Antwan Alexander Johnson, a six-year-old male African-American
- Zaniyyah Nyema Johnson, a seven-year-old female African-American
- Alyajah Marie Johnson, a 16-year-old female African-American

Investigators are attempting to obtain photographs of the children; no photographs are available at this time.

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of any or all of these at risk children are urged to contact the Oakland Police Department Family Youth Services Division at (510) 238-3641.

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